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Hog wild

The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club is going "Hog Wild for Kids" noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20, at Canton's Liberty Fest. They will be selling pulled pork sandwiches in the north pavilion.

Proceeds from each \$5 donation will be used for the many service projects in the Plymouth Canton Community, including the third-grade dictionary project, which enters its fifth year in 2010 and has provided more than 5,000 personal dictionaries to third-graders. Other programs include supporting the Salvation Army, First Step, and their scholarship for a Plymouth-Canton area graduating senior.

Also, the club is sponsoring a Wii raffle with a Wii Fit for a \$1 donation. You can find the members selling the tickets at the pavilion and the Wii raffle tent.

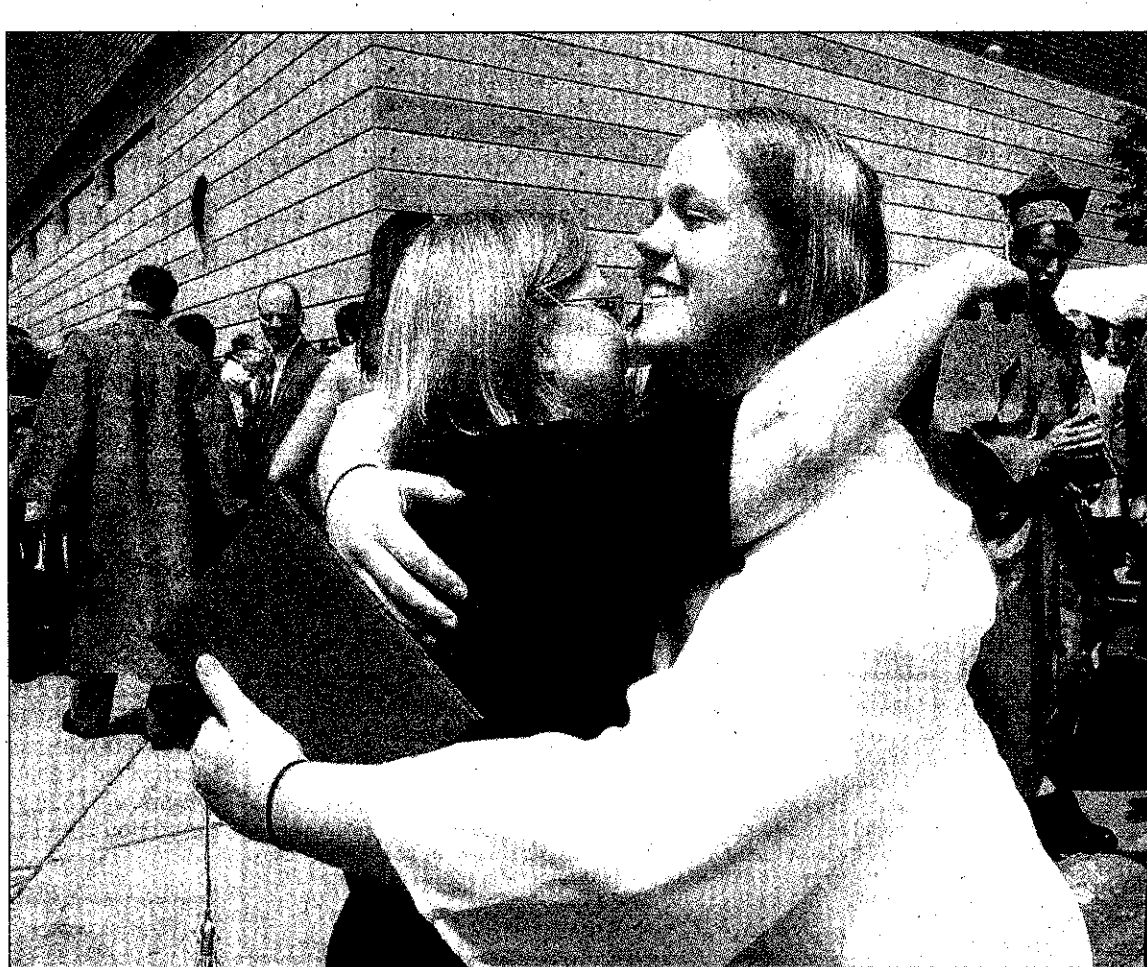
Contact the club through its Web site at www.pckiwani.org

Flags & phones

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6695 and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 of Plymouth-Canton conduct an American Flag Retirement Ceremony 1 p.m. Saturday, June 13, at the VFW post home, 1426 S. Mill St., in Plymouth (just north of Ann Arbor Road).

Post members will accept flags to be retired at this time, as well as "cell phones for soldiers" and information to send active duty people free calling cards.

For more information, call Gary Kubic at the VFW Post, (734) 459-6700, between 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.



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The next step

Graduate Stephanie Layton hugs her mom, Karen Layton, after being graduated from Canton High School in the school's commencement exercise Sunday at Eastern Michigan University. For a list of the graduates and more photos, please turn to Page A5, and find a photo gallery on our Web site at www.hometownlife.com

Best on the books

Canton library builds rep as state's busiest

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton's public library has seen a 15.5 percent increase in circulation for the first five months of 2009, compared to similar statistics a year ago, as recession-battered patrons seek out free offerings such as take-home movies, children's books and cable-TV series, officials said.

The facility, already lauded as Michigan's busiest single-branch library, has witnessed the uptick as penny-pinching patrons rein in their out-of-pocket expenses for leisure and educational activities, Director Eva Davis said.

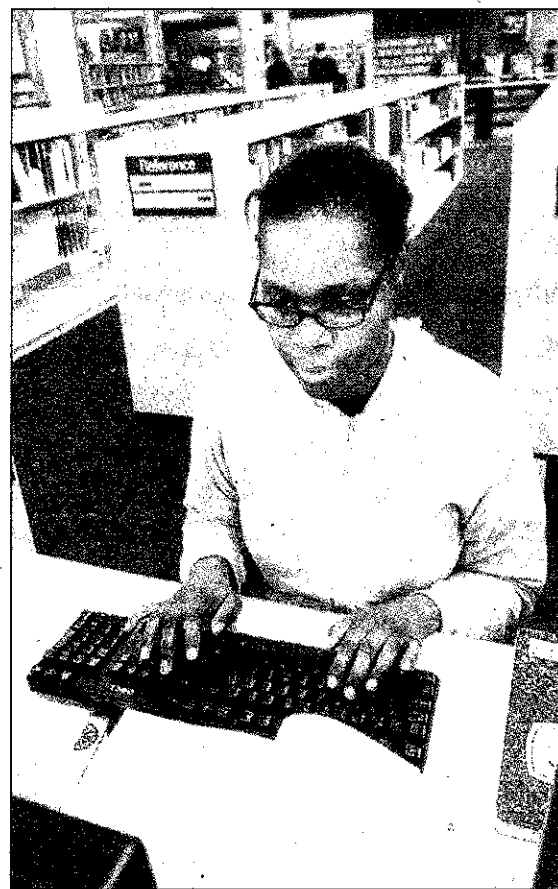
"They're not going out as much for entertainment," she said.

Moreover, library users who have lost their jobs or who need to update resumes and other personal documents are, increasingly, visiting the 1200 S. Canton Center Road facility, which has added 35 public-use computers for a total of 150. Some people have attended classes to learn how to seek work online and file unemployment claims.

On a rainy Monday morning, 30-year-old township resident Angela Hardaway used a library computer to prepare for a test in hopes of landing a job as a computer network security employee. Often, she also brings her laptop because she can tap into the building's free wireless service rather than pay Internet costs at home.

"And it's close to home," Hardaway said.

In yet another patron-pleasing move, the library now has 5,000 items in 21 languages, ranging from Asian



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Canton Public Library patron Angela Hardaway studies using one of the many library computers.

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Starting June 14 readers will have a great way to stay plugged in to their hometown news.

The Observer & Eccentric and Hometown Newspapers will debut Today's Headlines — a free electronic newsletter that will automatically send the latest news via e-mail to anyone who signs up at hometownlife.com.

"This is something we've wanted to do for a long time," said Executive Editor Susan Rosiek. "People are very busy these days but the demand for local news is high. This will make it easy for readers and advertisers to stay connected to local news that matters."

Starting Sunday, June 14, readers will be able click on the E-newsletters tab at the top left of our Web site, Hometownlife.com to sign up. Provide your

e-mail address and you will soon be receiving all the latest news from your community. If I-96 or I-275 is shut down due to a rollover accident and you signed up for our Breaking News E-newsletter, there is a good chance you'll be able to avoid that traffic jam just by checking your e-mail.

E-newsletters for all local publications will be available as well as special editions for breaking news, entertainment news and local business news. E-newsletter subscriber contact information will be kept private so there is no need to worry that signing up will lead to a barrage of third-party sales calls or unwanted offers clogging up your e-mail inbox.

The Observer Newspaper editions — Livonia, Farmington, Plymouth, Canton, Redford,

Westland and Garden City — will offer E-newsletters on Thursdays and Sunday.

The local business and local entertainment newsletters will come out once a week.

"We are excited about this project," said Advertising Director Grace Perry. "Our advertisers have been asking for a more immediate way to reach our core audience and this is it."

Go to hometownlife.com to sign up for your hometown E-newsletters and others. Subscribers will be entered into drawings June 14 through July 2 for Imagine Theatre movie passes, concert tickets at the Palace and DTE and gift certificates for dinner at restaurants throughout western Wayne and Oakland counties.

Canton, AA reach pact on busing

BY DARRELL CLEM
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Canton residents who work in Ann Arbor will benefit from a commuter transit route officials plan to start in July.

Riders will be able to park in Independence Park, off Denton Road between Cherry Hill and Geddes, and board buses that will make two morning and two evening stops to pick up and drop off passengers.

The park-and-ride service will be offered by the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority, which tossed the idea to a receptive Canton Township Board of Trustees after piloting a program already in place with the city of Chelsea. The expected start-up date is July 20.

"Their research indicated a strong need for the service," township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said Tuesday evening, as the board voted to approve the plan.

Dubbed the A2 Express, the service will take riders to the University of Michigan Medical Center, U-M's campus and downtown Ann Arbor, said Neil Greenberg, an AATA representative. He told township officials Tuesday more than 3,000 Canton residents work for U-M, and another 1,000 are employed elsewhere in the city.

The service will help commuters save mileage and fuel on their own vehicles and avoid parking fees in Ann Arbor, officials said. Initially, 50-passenger coaches are expected to be used.

Riders will be allowed to board the commuter buses for free for the first month, after which the fee will be \$125 a month, Greenberg said. However, he said many employers will split the cost with their workers, who could face out-of-pocket expenses of \$62.50 a month.

Greenberg conceded Tuesday that a precise schedule hasn't been worked out but will be announced in coming weeks.

Township officials have agreed to provide up to 100 parking spaces at Independence Park, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. In return, AATA will pay the township \$6,000 a year.

The township board has approved a two-year agreement, but either side may terminate it with a 120-day notice. Should the township need the 100 spaces during special events, local officials will give advance notice to AATA that temporary parking arrangements will need to be made.

The coaches also are expected to make stops in Cherry Hill Village, a move that could help residents and businesses in that area, Greenberg said.

AATA officials will attempt to arrange a precise schedule after seeking opinions from township residents, Greenberg said. He said potential commuters who want more information may call him at (734) 794-1852.

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LIBRARY

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magazines to Indian cinema offerings, to meet a growing demand from the township's increasingly diverse population. "It's a reflection of our community," Davis said.

It's no wonder, then, that the 53,000-square-foot library — Canton's information hub with more than 300,000 items — has seen a steady increase in usage. Circulation statistics show that 815,896 items had been checked out from January through May, marking a 15.5 percent over the same period in 2008.

That follows an overall 11 percent uptick from 2007 to 2008. For the latter year, customers checked out nearly 1.8 million items.

Canton's public library earned a reputation as the busiest single-branch facility in the state in 2007 — the last year that such statistics were available, said Mark Hoffman, acting director of the Michigan Department of History, Arts and Libraries.

In all, the library has 85,336 card-holders, a number that has grown steadily since the library opened its doors in 1988 and expanded with an addition in 2001, Davis said. Library services once had been offered on the third floor of township hall.

Davis, a Canton High graduate and Plymouth Township resident, attributed



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Eva Davis talks about the increase in patronage at the Canton Public Library, one of the state's busiest.

the library's success partly to effective planning by local officials who chose a central location for library services. Library officials have continued to seek public input as they prepare in coming weeks to unveil a long-range strategic plan.

Certain challenges have come with the library's success, however. Even as the recession has increased demand from patrons, it also has fueled the need for spending cuts. The library's budget of \$6.5 million dipped to slightly under \$6 million from 2008 to 2009, and Davis said officials could be forced to slash an additional 6-10 percent next year.

The library, with 123 employees including 18 full-time staffers and the rest part time, has managed to avoid layoffs through careful spending and by not replacing certain workers who have left. Davis also credited donors, including the Friends of the Library, who raise money for the facility.

For people like Angela Hardaway, positive changes haven't gone unnoticed. She said the library's efforts to expand and add computers have helped people, like her, who need the facility more than ever.

As she worked Monday morning toward getting a new job, she smiled as she was asked how she would rate the library. "I'd give it an 'A,'" she said.

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Theater group hosts summer season auditions

The 8th Wonder Theatre is hosting their 2009 summer season auditions at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill for the following productions and workshops: Video Games, The Rock Opera; Big River; the Cabaret Artists' Workshop; and the 8th Wonder Musical Theatre Intensive Workshop.

Open call auditions are June 15-17 from 4-8 p.m. and June 18 from 4-6 p.m. Callbacks will be June 18 from 6-8 p.m.

Video Games, The Rock Opera

Video Games, The Rock Opera is a new musical romp into the virtual world of video fairy tales-heroes and villains. There are eight principals and a five male/five female ensemble. Rehearsals will be held June 22 to July 9 with seven performances from July 10 through July 18.

Music for Video Games, The Rock Opera is by Ryan Lewis, book by Stu Rase. The performance is directed by Ryan Lewis with choreography by Erik Abbot-Main. Audition criteria is 2 - 16-bar cuts, one ballad, one up-tempo and one comedic monologue, maximum of 60 seconds long.

Big River

Big River is the musical version of "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn." There are eight to 10 principal roles, with an ensemble of 10-20. Rehearsals are July 20-31 with eight performances from Aug. 7-14.

Music and lyrics of Big River are by Roger Miller. The performance is directed by Brian Carbine and choreographed by Phil Simmons. Audition criteria is 2 - 16-bar cuts, one ballad, one up-tempo and one comedic monologue, maximum of 60 seconds long.

Cabaret Artists' Workshop

The 8th Wonder Theatre will also be hosting the Cabaret Artists' Workshop taught by Dr. Pirooz Aghssa. This two-week course culminates in six performances of "An Evening of Cabaret" starring the students of the workshop and will be performed in the Village Theater's second stage.

Students must audition to be accepted into the class. The registration fee is \$350, with scholarships available. The workshop is from July 11-23 with seven performances from July 24 to Aug. 1. Audition criteria is one full, NON-musical theatre song.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH BEVERAGE AND VENDING CONTRACT 2009-2014 Specifications and bid documents are available at City Hall during normal business hours. You may also download a copy of the documentation from the City's web site at:

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This concert will be a special treat for the Metro Detroit Russian community and all who love music of Peter Tchaikovsky.

Tickets are \$18 and \$15 for senior citizens (60 and over) and students (18 and under) at The Village Theater (734) 394-5300 or visit www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater and purchase online at no additional charge. Refreshments will be provided during intermission.

Join the marching band

The Plymouth-Canton marching band is hosting its final informational meeting on Monday, June 15 for students and their parents who are interested in joining the 2009 marching band program, which is under the direction of David Armbruster, a Michigan-native, who was hired by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools as director of bands at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park beginning in June. Armbruster was previously the director of bands at Northmont High School in Ohio. New band members and parents will have a chance to meet the new director at the June 15 meeting.

The marching band recruitment meeting is designed for incoming 8th graders, but is open to any high school student. Interested students will

spend time with the existing marchers enjoying pizza, while parents listen to a presentation by the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters on how their 8th grader can become a member of the award-winning marching band for the 2009 summer/fall season. Interested students and their parents should report to Plymouth High School's band room at 7 p.m.

For more information, visit www.pcmnb.net

Book signing

Award-winning author Cheryl A. Vatcher-Martin will be autographing copies of her latest children's book, "Haiku For You: With Some One Room School House History," and her other books during an appearance at the Plymouth Historical Museum 1-3 p.m. June 24.

Her other books include "Cheryl's Musings: A Day In The Life Of An Award Winning Poet & Photographer," a slice of life vignette and mini writing guide which was released in 2008.

She'll also be at the Borders Express in Novi (inside Twelve Oaks Mall) 2-4 p.m. June 20, and at the Southgate Borders Express, 2-4 p.m., Saturday, June 27.

Vatcher-Martin is also the owner of Pero Inc., a full service writing, tutoring, instructional design, consulting, photography, editing and publishing company. Her phone number is (734) 397-1626, e-mail her at peroinc5@comcast.net or visit her Web site at camartin.blogspot.com/

Museum bike ride

Before you let another summer go by, dust off that old bicycle and join other riders on a leisurely 10-mile tour of portions of an historic local railway system. The June 20 bike ride, sponsored by the Plymouth Historical Museum, takes participants along a stretch of the Detroit, Plymouth & Northville Railway, also known as the Detroit United Railway, or DUR, founded in 1899.

The ride also traverses a portion of the 400-mile, 13,000-year-old proglacial Great Lake Whittlesey shoreline ridge. Great Lake Whittlesey formed in the Erie basin and its shoreline was formed by ice that initially drained to create an



Gypsy swing

Music lovers can enjoy an evening of hot acoustic jazz music with the Caravan Gypsy Swing Ensemble 8 p.m. Saturday, June 27, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. All seats are \$15-general admission. Currently on tour promoting their self titled release "Caravan Gypsy Swing Ensemble" on Hot String Swing Records, this ensemble is an instrumental acoustic jazz group based out of Madison, Wisc. For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater. Tickets can also be purchased at Summit on the Park by phone at (734) 394-5460 or in person.

early route for aquatic life to migrate into the waters of the Great Lakes.

The majority of the historical ride is on sidewalks or paved pathways with some residential streets, and there will be various "water stops" for discussions. The ride leader is Plymouth Historical Society (PHS) member Alan Van Kerckhove.

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Summer camps

Plymouth-Canton Community Education is offering a number of summer camps and programs for all ages - preschool to adult.

One of the most popular courses is the Safety Town Program for kindergarten and first graders, which teaches kids about house emergencies, emergency vehicles, fire safety, bicycle safety and stranger danger.

Registration is now open for all courses. For details visit the Community Education Web site www.pccs.k12.mi.us or call (734) 416-2937.

When can I laugh?

PCS-Global (Counseling & Coaching Center) and New Hope Center for Grief Support will conduct a two-hour presentation 7-9 p. m. Monday, June 15, at the Northville Senior Community Center at 303 Main Street.

This evening is free to the public. It will encompass stressful issues relating to grief through death and suicide, but also such topics as terminal illnesses, personal injuries, financial issues, divorce or separation, work related issues and retirement. PCS-Global is a counseling and coaching organization and New Hope is a grief support organization.

For more information or to register call PCS-Global at (734) 542-6969 or stop by Northville's Old Church Square at 141 N. Center, Suite 202.

For the troops

Take time to say thank you to the troops on Sunday, June 14.

The Westland Jaycees are inviting shoppers to stop by the East Court of the Westland Shopping Center 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. to sign thank you cards for the soldiers to let the troops know that we appreciate the hard work and sacrifices they have made.

The Westland Jaycees started the event three years ago, and the response from the community has been outstanding. They're hoping to get at least 500 cards to send to the troops. The organization will provide blank memo cards and thank you cards for people to sign. There also will be pictures for children to color as well as a few T-shirts that can be signed, too. It also will cover the postage.

People who want to donate blank cards or turn in signed cards before June 14 can drop them off at the mall's Customer Service booth outside of Macy's.

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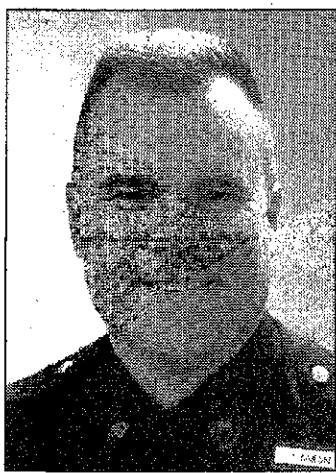
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Gajeski

Sergeant gets training on crime trends

When crimes in Canton start to fall into a certain pattern, the Canton Police Department now has at least one more person who will be able to recognize it.

Sgt. Mark Gajeski, Community Relations coordinator for Canton Police Department, attended a 40-hour crime analysis training class. Gajeski is responsible for crime analysis and crime prevention for the department.

The class, titled "Crime Analysis," covered how to recognize a series of criminal acts and how to pick out a pattern of related events. Once an established pattern of events is determined, analysts were taught to utilize a series of calculations to assist in predicting when the next criminal act may occur.

"Once we are able to establish a pattern, the information I received in the class will assist the department with determining when and where to focus our resources, allowing us to better serve the community," Gajeski said.

For more information on crime prevention or crime analysis contact Gajeski at (734) 394-5424.

Grandpa ticketed for leaving kids in truck

A man was ticketed by police for child neglect amid allegations he left his two grandchildren, ages 6 and 8, inside his truck while he went into the Meijer store on Ford Road at Canton Center Road. The incident happened about 2:40 p.m. June 5.

An officer was sent to Meijer after a witness called to say that the children reported that their grandfather had been inside the store for what seemed a long time. The officer spotted the suspect's truck leaving the parking lot and stopped him on Ford west of Canton Center.

The grandfather told authorities he had gone inside to fill a few water bottles. He was issued a ticket for child neglect and given a court date.

'Flasher' reported

Canton police were investigating allegations that a man may have exposed himself to a woman outside an apartment on Foxthorn, south of Warren and west of Lilley. The incident was reported about 10:10 p.m. Monday.

The woman told police she was in the parking lot when a man in a black Pontiac Grand Prix pulled down his pants and exposed himself before driving off. She said she was walking to her vehicle in front of her apartment when she noticed him. She said she got into her vehicle and locked the doors.

The woman said the suspect never said anything to her. Police talked with the suspect when he returned a short time later. The man told police that his pants may have slid down a little but that he didn't intend to expose himself.

The incident was being reviewed by police for any possible charges.

Home invasion

A woman who was falling asleep was startled when she heard a noise in her living room and found a man standing there. The incident happened about 9:35 p.m. June 3 in an apartment building on Nectar, south of Joy Road and east of I-275, police said.

The woman, who heard the blinds of her sliding door rattling, went into her living room and asked the intruder what he was doing there. She told police the man claimed he had been told by a friend to go inside and the door would be open.

The woman said the man asked what building number he was in and then claimed that he had the wrong address. He then walked out the sliding door.

The woman told police she was certain that she had locked the door. She said the man appeared shocked to learn that someone was at home.

The suspect was described as a white male in his early 20s, 5-foot-8 to 6 feet tall, 160-175 pounds. He was wearing a black baseball cap, a black long-sleeve shirt and dark pants, and he had a black backpack over his shoulder.

Break-in, theft

A couple returning home told police that their home near the southeast corner of Napier and Warren had been broken into while they were away Monday morning through Monday evening.

The male resident told authorities he unlocked the door, went inside and found that a gate that keeps their dogs in a certain area had been knocked down. Items missing included a new LCD television, a still-in-the-box home theater system, prescription drugs, numerous pieces of jewelry and a large Coke-bottle bank that contained money.

Bathroom blaze

Police went to Independence Park, on the southwest corner of Denton and Proctor, after a park ranger reported that a fire had been started in the women's restroom. The incident happened about 4 p.m. June 3.

The park ranger told police he saw black smoke coming from the restroom and went inside to find fire coming from a toilet paper dispenser. He went to his truck, got a fire extinguisher and put it out.

The man said he saw a white female leaving the area with a white male who was wearing a lime-colored, hooded sweatshirt. Both appeared to be in their teens and were last seen walking north toward Proctor.

The only reported damage was to the toilet paper dispenser other than a small burn pattern on the wall.

Car theft

A man called police after his vehicle, a 2000 Honda with a loud muffler, was stolen shortly after 9:30 p.m. June 4 out-

side an apartment on Cambridge, south of Warren and east of I-275.

The victim told police he arrived there with a friend who lives there. The pair went inside and then heard the sound of a loud muffler. The victim said his friend jokingly asked if it was his car. The victim then looked outside and his vehicle was gone.

The man told police that he had locked his doors and that he was the only person who had the keys to the car.

Broken window

Officers went to Salem High School on Joy west of Canton Center Road after a woman reported that the back window of her Saturn Vue had been broken out between 12:30 and 4:30 p.m. June 3 while it was in the parking lot. The woman told police she didn't know anyone who might have damaged the vehicle.

Vehicle damage

A woman told police that someone damaged her vehicle while she was working inside the Canton Club Bar, on Michigan Avenue between Hannan and Lotz, between 2-8 p.m. June 7.

The woman had parked her white Ford Freestyle not far from an entrance, and when she finished her shift she found that the vehicle had multiple dents along the passenger side.

The woman told police she may have known who damaged the car, but the person in question denied it.

Missing money

A woman told police that her residence on Amherst Court, northwest of Warren and Lilley, was broken into between 4:15 and 5:15 p.m. Monday. The woman told police she had left work and invited a few friends and co-workers over.

The woman said she left to drive some of her friends home and that others asked if they could stay at her residence until she returned. She refused, but when she returned she said her television had been moved and that money totaling \$1,300 was missing.

Some of those who had been in the home are under investigation.

- By Darrell Clem

Traffic plan in place for Liberty Fest

Canton motorists may want to start planning alternate routes as the township gears up for this year's Liberty Fest.

Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro has issued a temporary traffic order in conjunction with the popular festival, due to expected heavy traffic and the accompanying fireworks display in Heritage Park.

Effective 11 a.m. Friday, June 19, Santomauro said parking will be prohibited along Canton Center Road between Cherry Hill and Palmer roads.

From 10:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20, Canton Center Road will be closed between Cherry Hill and Palmer roads as police manage traffic leaving the fireworks display.

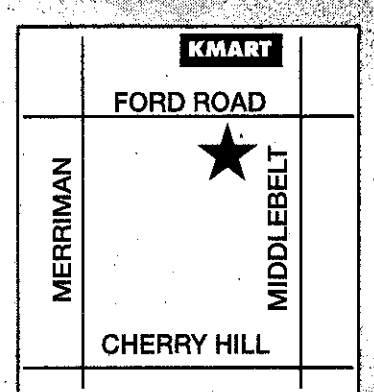
"That's when they're getting traffic out from the fireworks," said Barbara Caruso, the department's communication specialist.

Also, from 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20, Summit Parkway will be closed from Canton Center to Gleggery Boulevard. That, also, is so that police can manage fireworks-related traffic, Caruso said.

The traffic order, announced in accordance with the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships and Villages, will remain in effect until 11:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20.

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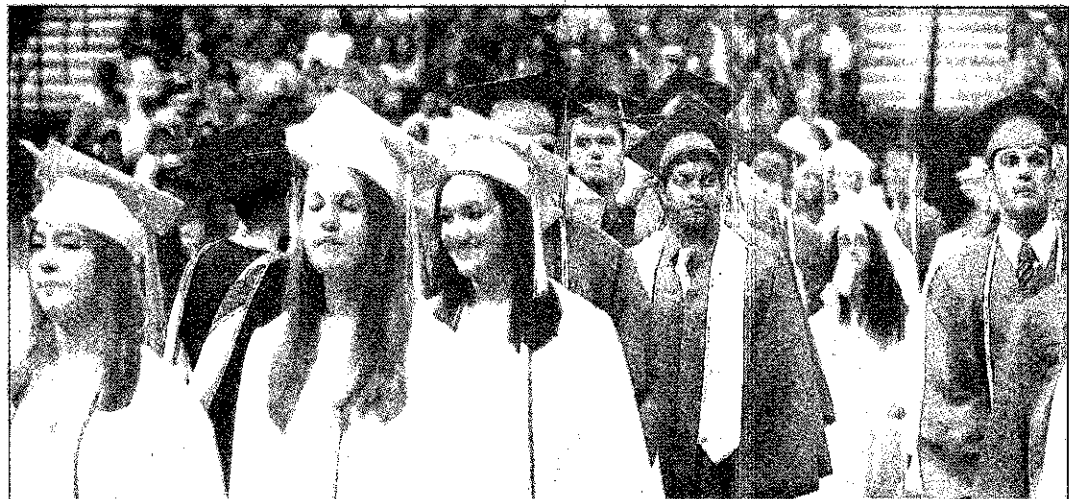
Grads toss tassels, take the next step

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 - Justin Saad Abro
 - Farhan Ahmad
 - Vinay V. Ajmani
 - Kathryn Lynn Allen
 - Kayla Lynn Allen
 - Pietro Amalfi
 - Brittney Cheyanne
 - Andrews
 - Shelby Anthony
 - Uzma Anwar
 - Amanda Elizabeth
 - Aquiline
 - Nicholas William Austin
 - Amina Azam
 - Paige Austin Babala
 - Luke Paul Bahrou
 - Collan Robert Baker
 - Mariah J. Baker
 - Sarah K. Baker
 - Nancy Jean Balewski
 - Preethi Bandri
 - Julia Nicole Bank
 - Mark Alan Barath
 - Donald Wayne Barlow III
 - Brittany Joy Bartkowiak
 - Emmanuel Eugene Bates
 - Eric Michael Beaudoin
 - Cody Wade Bennett
 - Angela Jean Bergsma
 - Alexander L. Berlin
 - Christopher M. Berry
 - Sarah Elisabeth
 - Bertrand
 - Nikita Bhatnagar
 - Timothy Ryan Bidwell
 - Kyle Robert Biega
 - Daniel J. Bielak
 - Zane Thomas Birchler
 - Kevin Stone Birou
 - Megan Mae Blue
 - Joshua Daniel Bobowski
 - Jordan Lynne Boeve
 - Jennifer Noel Bohl
 - Nasir Saleem Bokhari
 - Dominic Michael Bonell
 - Anthony Joseph Bonnett
 - Benjamin D. Bosker
 - Darius A. Brantley-Bailey
 - Sarah Marie Brashears
 - Alex Michael Brasil
 - Daniel M. Brazil
 - Sarah C. Brebberman
 - Kyle T. Breitmeyer
 - Julian M. Brewer
 - Heaven Christal Brooks
 - Melissa Anne Buck
 - Megan Leigh Burban
 - Kyle David Burdette
 - Janelle E. Burdiss
 - Joel K. Burrell
 - Brandon Alan Burt
 - Patrick Leland Buzas
 - Brian V. Byrne
 - Kimberly V. Cafarelli
 - Devin Andrew Cain
 - Kaitlyn Anne Campbell
 - Sade M. Campbell
 - Douglas
 - Christopher M. Canon
 - David Clancy Capies
 - Eric A. Caron
 - Kathleen H. Carroll
 - Sarah Kate Castle
 - Matthew Alexander
 - Cattaneo
 - Danny Samir Chami
 - Hira Chaudhry
 - Gurudev Singh Chawla
 - Victoria Yuting Chen
 - Willa Angel Chen
 - Joseph Alan Choroba
 - Matthew Thomas Cipolla
 - Richard Owen Clark
 - Sabrina Joy Clark
 - Michael B. Clemens
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 - Stephanie M. Cogo
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 - Kristina Jean Crilley
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 - Steven David Denstaedt
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 - Kyle Christopher
 - Dunleavy
 - Patrick Joseph Durocher
 - Briana Theresa Edge
 - Michael R. Eimers
 - Jordan S. Emery
 - Abbeygail Claire
 - Epelman
 - Beau-James Alan Erion
 - Kirbi Elizabeth Fagan
 - Derek E. Faust
 - James N. Fedon
 - Christopher William Fenn
 - Matthew Raymond
 - Figlewicz
 - Jeremy A. Filippelli
 - Allen Michael Flick

- Coming Sunday: Plymouth High School's Class of 2009
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 - Nicole Elizabeth Foss
 - Jason Charles Foster
 - Kevin M. Frader
 - Kyle Anthony Frader
 - Courtney E. Fravala
 - Princess Lauren Gabbara
 - Jennifer Brooke Galicki
 - Elizabeth Kathleen Gallagher
 - Jamie Marie Gallo
 - Katharine L. Galloway
 - Teresa Ann Galloway
 - Katherine Christine Galm
 - Heather M. Garcia
 - Patrick Michael Garland
 - Alexander Vincent
 - Geoffrey
 - Athar Mahmoud Yousef
 - Ghannam
 - Lovedeep S. Gill
 - Leah Marian Girard
 - Michael Joseph Gleba
 - Marlan L. Glenn
 - Trey S. Glenn
 - Jessica D. Godwin
 - Achala Chandu Gopal
 - Jordan Gabriel Gorzalski
 - Kristin Heidi Graf
 - Shelby Ann Graham
 - Sarah Marie Graves
 - Jonathon B. Green
 - Andrew H. Greeneisen
 - Kara Marie Gregory
 - Justin Michael Groves
 - Lija May Gudrais
 - Jennifer Kristel Gunnis
 - Lindsay Ann Haar
 - Zachary James Haar
 - Husam A. Hadad
 - Lisa Z. Haddad
 - Kelsey Ann Hadyniak
 - Mary Angela Hagerman
 - Jillian Christine Hakala
 - Adrian D. Halim
 - Jessica N. Hammye
 - Parker S. Hancock
 - Kayla Marie Haney
 - E-Rachael J. Harrington
 - Sherif H. Hassanien
 - Paisley L. Hatfield
 - Timothy John Hemmelgarn
 - Klajdi Hena
 - Courtney Alyssa Hendges
 - Dennis Robert Hendzell
 - Erica Lynn Hensley
 - Gage Daniel Hermann
 - Brian C. Hess
 - Austin Jonasz Hicks
 - Sean M. Hitchcock
 - Harmisha Starlene Hoggatt
 - Nathan R. Holdsworth
 - Arturo D. Holt
 - Amanda Taylor Homco
 - Lauren M. Howard
 - Megan E. Howard
 - Jason X. Hu
 - Betty Huang
 - Shawn P. Hucuiak
 - Matthew Charles Hunter
 - Joshua Daniel Hurst
 - Lauren Christine Hutchings
 - Nicholas Norman Hyman
 - Rohan Hareh Israni
 - Carolyn Marie Jagadics
 - Jay Michael Jasinski
 - Kristy Lynn Johnson
 - Adam Matthew Jonik
 - Darnell K. Jordan
 - Ashley Myranda Jorgensen
 - Andrew D. Juback
 - Summer F. Kalvenas
 - David R. Kang
 - Andrew Joseph Kapelanski
 - Jacob Langdon Kapusta
 - Kristen M. Karkiker
 - Abhinav R. Katti
 - Alecia L. Kelly
 - Ashley M. Kelly
 - Jeremy M. Kelm
 - Ameem I. Khan
 - Kathryn N. Kieft
 - Michael F. Kieliszewski
 - Kameron Emanuel King
 - Edward Philip Koelzer
 - Samantha Irene Kohalisky
 - Brittney Marie Kopchia
 - Sarah M. Kopchia
 - Lisa Abigail Kovacs
 - Alexandra Marie Krahn
 - Frank Joseph Krasinski
 - Henna Rani Krishana
 - Joseph Robert Krizanek
 - Benjamin J. Krogmeier
 - Mitchell G. Kuchenberg
 - Staci Andrea Kurliak
 - Stephanie Lynn Lacasse
 - Emily Jean LaFontaine
 - Justin Micah Laginess
 - Denis Lako
 - Candace Dawn Lang
 - Joel Raymond Langdon
 - Ryan Jeffrey Lash
 - Tara L. Latin
 - Allison Rose Laurin
 - Stephanie Renee Layton
 - Andrew Wade League

- Coming June 18: Salem High School's Class of 2009
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 - Alyssa Jordan Letherwood
 - Lauren April Lewis
 - Nicholas Robert Lewiston
 - Justin Michael Liedel
 - Alexandra Lim-Chua Wee
 - Jeremy Jon Lindlbauer
 - Alexander M. Loiseille
 - Lisa Michele Lorey
 - Tariq M. Louzon
 - Carl I. Lucke
 - Michael Allen Lulko
 - Rebecca Jeanne Mabie
 - Maxwell Matthew Madaj
 - Jessica Noel Maddox
 - Patrick J. Madish
 - Chelsey Padge Magnuson
 - Jaimee Fevrier Magyaros
 - Sean Matthew Mahan
 - Mark Ryan Majewski
 - Alexander Malitsky
 - Katherine C. Marion
 - Erika Elisabeth Martin
 - Michael George Martucci
 - Hannah Michelle Maxam
 - Casey Elizabeth Maxwell
 - Jasmine Nicole May
 - Ryan A. May
 - Jennifer Lynn McCay
 - Ashley Ann McKee
 - Briana Christa Lynn McKoy
 - Jessica Ann McLean
 - Mark W. McMichael
 - Lindsay Marie Meador
 - Akhilesh Swarup Menawat
 - Courtney Lauren Meterko
 - Lisa Marie Miller
 - Quest R. Miller
 - Megan Mckenzie Mills
 - Robert C. Milus
 - Alessandro T. Miri
 - Maryam Mohiuddin
 - Michael Daniel Moncion
 - Katelyn Marie Montgomery
 - Robert Michael Moores
 - Kacy Lynn Moran
 - Justin Ross Morrison
 - John Wesley Mosley
 - Leah Marie Moubadder
 - Rachael Amanda Mount
 - Amandeep Singh Munday
 - George G. Muresan
 - Christopher Paul Naegel
 - Michelle Jessica Nagy
 - Emily Kathryn Nairn
 - Hira F. Naqvi
 - Kashif A. Naqvi
 - Amanda Michelle Nation
 - Dean A. Nguyen
 - Hang T. Nguyen-Tran
 - Andrew Michael Nick
 - Amber Nicole Nickell
 - Kathleen Susan Noetzel
 - Zachary M. Nowak
 - Samantha M. O'Flynn
 - Shara Lynn O'Leary
 - Osama Hassan Odeh
 - Katelynn Marie Ogle
 - Ryan Robert Olech
 - Chelsea Nicole Olson
 - Hebah W. Omar
 - Cameron John Opuda
 - Chelsea Marie Osburn
 - DeMarcyon Timothy Paimer
 - Kelly Louise Parkin
 - Chelsea Elizabeth Paskievitch
 - Anand T. Patel
 - Anandkumar M. Patel
 - Jaimini S. Patel
 - Krupa D. Patel
 - Sunny N. Patel
 - Lauren Amanda Peeler
 - Fernanda Pereira
 - Paige Ashley Perry
 - Richard James Peters
 - Stephanie Ellen Pettovello
 - Brett Joseph Phillips
 - Douglas Austin Pickert
 - Lisa Ann Pierce
 - Robert M. Pillitteri
 - Marilda Pine
 - Nicole Lee Piwowar
 - Samantha Marie Podorsek
 - Shelby Lynne Polderdyke
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 - Aarika Renee Price
 - Michael Dillon Price
 - Jordan Lynn Puskar
 - Jeremy M. Quillico
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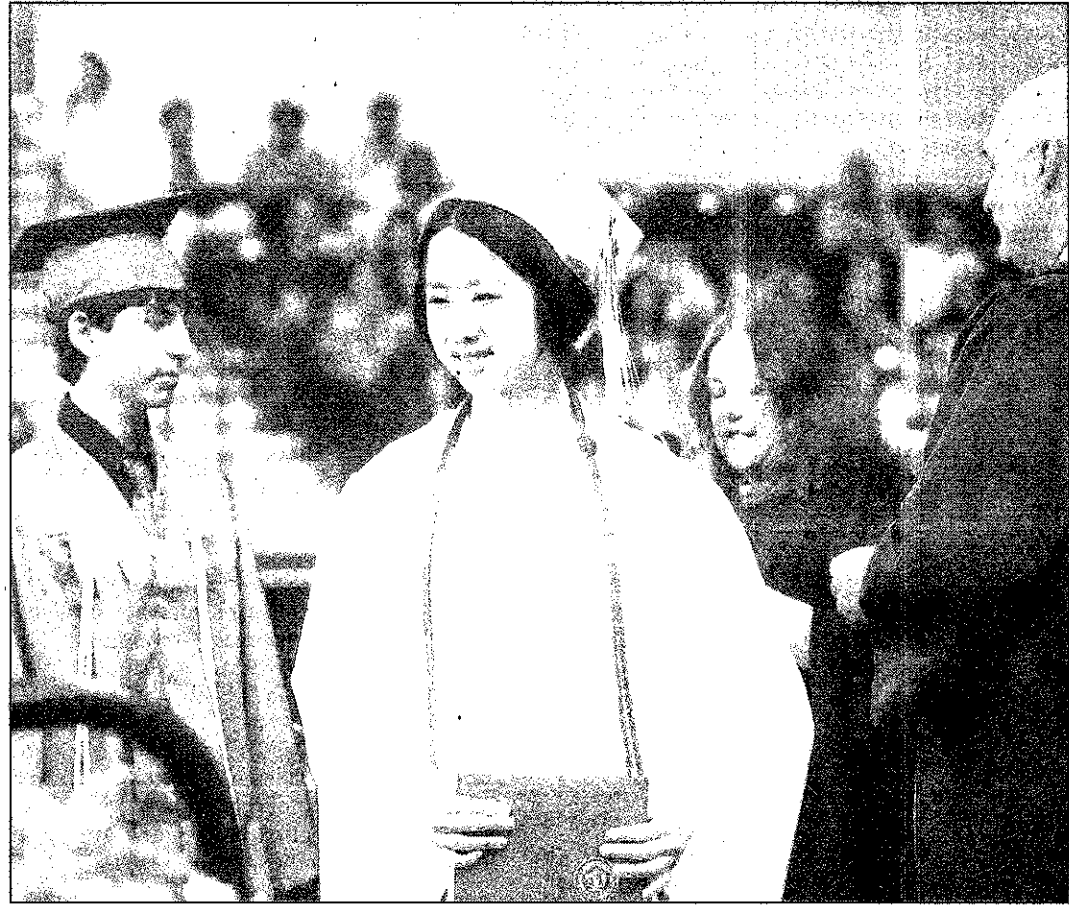
Soon-to-be Canton High School graduates enter the EMU Convocation Center for commencement exercises Sunday.



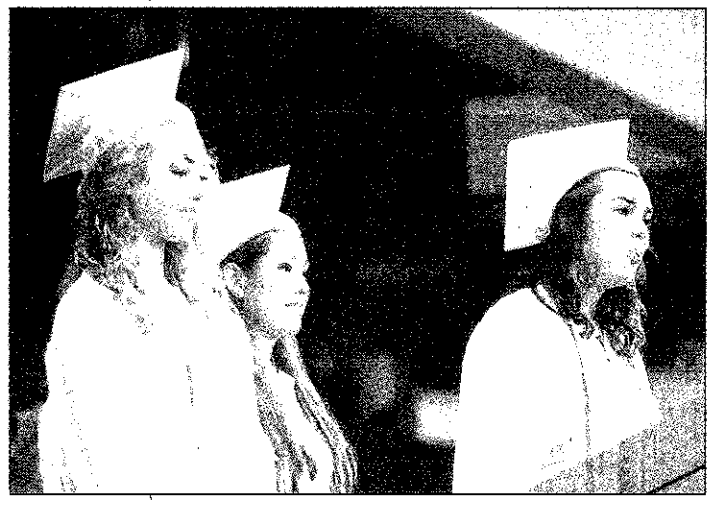
Molly Watson and Christy VanEasley let the world know they're Canton grads.



The ceremony ends with the traditional tossing of the caps.



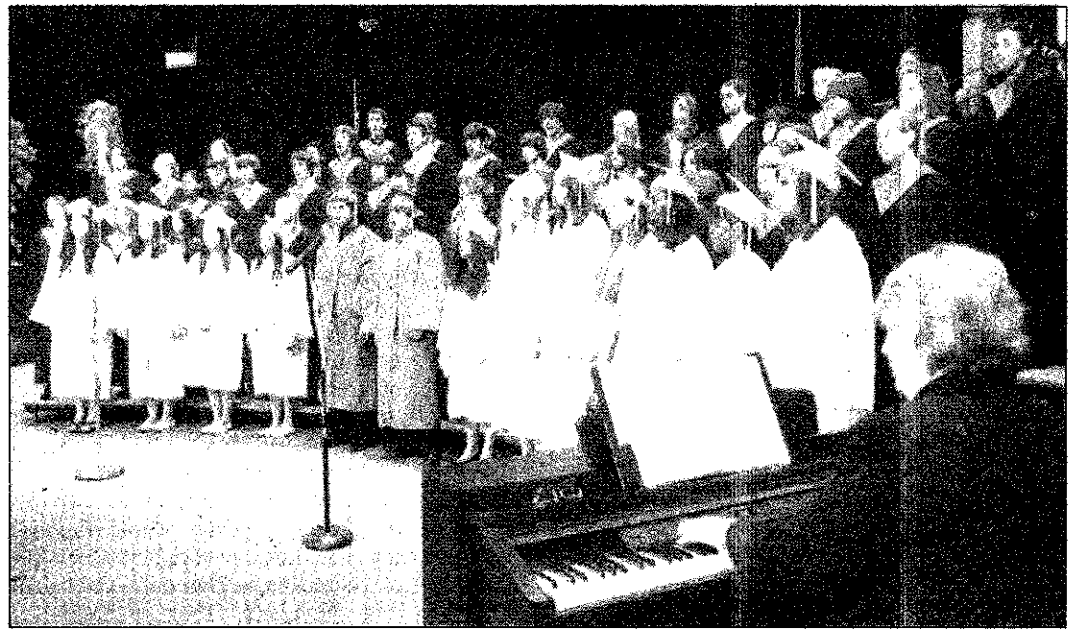
Canton High School's super scholar is Willa Chen, who earns perfect scores, whether it's the ACT, the SAT, or PSAT.



Senior Class Co-presidents Fernanda Peira, Rachael Harrington and Jennifer Bohl (speaking) address the graduating class.



Happy graduate Kiere Daniels at Sunday's graduation ceremony.



The combined P-CEP Choirs sing 'Song To Tradition.'

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OUR VIEWS

School multi-age decision could be just a start

First, let us point out it's the responsibility of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, the superintendent and the administrators who run the district to decide which course of action is best for the district when it comes to curriculum.

Having said that, we also think disbanding the multi-age program at Farrand Elementary School is a mistake.

Whichever way it goes — and Plymouth-Canton Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Dr. Cindy Swift said Tuesday the 15-year-old program will be discontinued — the decision has been handled badly.

First, news of the decision leaked to parents without any official statement coming from Farrand Principal Dana Jones or the district. Parents jumped to the conclusion the decision had already been made, without discussion with them.

Parents have stormed Board of Education meetings since then, demanding to know why such a successful program was being disbanded when there is no apparent financial benefit and only a sketchy academic one. Everyone, including Jones, admits the multi-age program — which puts third-, fourth- and fifth-grade students in the same classroom, learning the same curriculum units, and mentoring each other — has been very successful.

But Jones, correctly pointing out the district has worked hard to adapt curriculum to state standards, says the program is now a drain on that effort, and that the two teachers charged with teaching the multi-age program would be better used in a more conventional capacity.

However, Jones has had trouble convincing parents exactly why that is, or exactly how the multi-age program conflicts with state curriculum requirements. And letting the decision leak out before it was made turned into a huge public relations gaffe. Some school board members acknowledged Tuesday night the process has been mishandled.

Jones tried to fix it with a hastily called meeting a few weeks ago (and another meeting last week), but has failed to adequately address specific questions parents had about the decision.

One of Jones' stated reasons for disbanding the program is the high level of parent participation connected with the multi-age classrooms. Here's the apparent logic behind that discussion: Disband the program, disburse those students to the various classrooms throughout the school and the parent participation will follow.

Perhaps the better solution would be for the district to capitalize on parental involvement in the other classrooms rather than penalize multi-age parents. If Jones is concerned about equalizing parent involvement throughout her building, she needs to find a way to reach more parents.

The handling of this decision is a microcosm of what's to come for the district as a whole. With a budget that's some 90 percent tied to salaries and benefits and a huge deficit looming, the Board of Education is going to have no choice but to start cutting programs or increasing class sizes — or both. Superintendent Dr. Craig Fiegel warned board members of that fact a couple of meetings ago during budget discussions.

And those decisions need to be adequately explained to parents, who deserve to be involved in the discussion. It is the parents, after all, who elect board members and fork over the taxes that pay teachers and administrators.

COMMUNITY VOICE

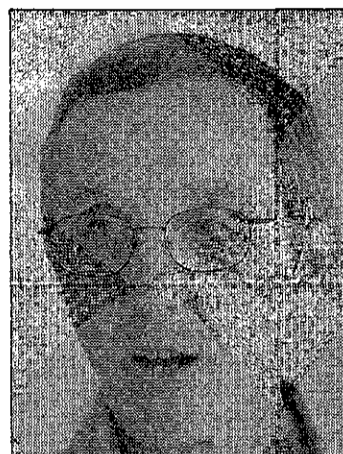
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We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



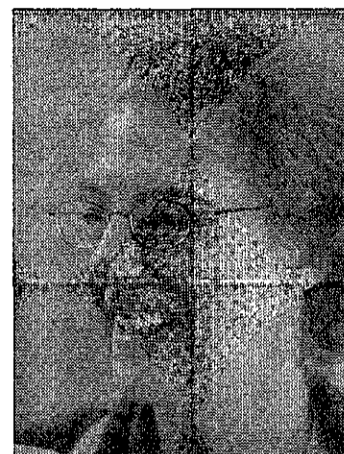
"It should stay at Cobo if they expand it. Detroit is the auto capital the world."

Mike Anger
Canton



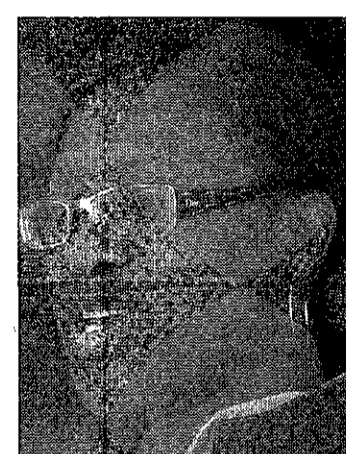
"I'd like to see it stay in Detroit as long as they can fix Cobo Center."

Tom Gould
Plymouth Township



"It should stay in Detroit because it will do something economically for Detroit, but they need to fix up Cobo."

Marilyn Atkinson
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"I think it should stay in Detroit. I know there are issues with the Detroit City Council, but it should stay because of the history of the auto show."

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LETTERS

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on the Park (46000 Summit Parkway) in Canton June 25 at 7 p.m. Make sure you have input into how Plymouth-Canton can become a beacon of diversity and inclusion in Southeast Michigan.

Thomas Costello
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Michigan Roundtable For Diversity and Inclusion

Follower or fighter?

As a longtime Chrysler customer, I am deeply distressed regarding the proposed closing of Chrysler dealerships throughout the State of Michigan, specifically, Livonia Chrysler.

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I would urge Mike Cox, attorney general, State of Michigan, to vigorously research and fight for the rights and protection under Law of this business and consumers.

James Mortiere
Plymouth

Help fight cancer

Pancreatic cancer claimed another great American: Hall of Fame NBA coach Chuck Daly. Like many before him, his battle was brief. He was just diagnosed in February.

The sad truth is 75 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within a year of being diagnosed because there are no early detection methods for this devastating disease. By the time a patient is diagnosed, the aggressive cancer has already spread to other organs.

Pancreatic cancer is the most lethal cancer with a five-year survival rate of just 5 percent, a statistic that has remained largely unchanged for the past few decades. The pancreatic cancer community needs a dream team; much like the one Daly led to victory in the 1992 Olympics, to beat this disease and champion early detection methods and effective treatment options for the fourth leading cause of cancer death in our country.

I volunteer for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and we need your help to ensure progress is made, visit www.pancan.org. Let's beat pancreatic cancer.

Christina Jagielski
Plymouth

The sheep

We the sheeple have let every governmental unit grow. Fertilized by too much

available cash to sprinkle everywhere and such easy access to debt, making each unit of government fatally obese.

Our president says, "We are out of money," a situation being reflected by every political subdivision. Blank checks issued by legislative sycophants wildly enlarged all government costs without a whimper. The money often directed toward political leverage, and absurd ideas, than toward real problems.

Now having exhausted willing international lenders, will the next best resource be an aggressive "estate tax"? Is it so puzzling and unreasonable from those so willing to abort life, that older Americans should be concerned about the future with a possible "pull the plug czar"? Will Americans see actuarial tables adjust with the adoption of the British public health system under the shingle "universal health care"?

I worship no politician. Most, after an initial term, exhaust any good ideas, then show loyalty only to party favored lobbyists in control of a script. An objective of the evil side of politics is to cripple opponents and use their committed fellow travelers to suffer silently in hope and regret.

Historical tyrants have shown the recipe for extended power comes from a giant debt load, lingering unemployment, inflated money, and market control. Media management or censorship follow with the excuse of a response to enhanced crisis! Opponents will be shaken and shocked to a point of temporary paralysis. The worst condition would be to drop critical thinking, waiting for time to heal and stability to return. Abrupt actions in governance especially will frighten many in this era of the political "rent a mob" gambit. Tyrants feed on instability.

In America, our problems and extensive bailouts were driven by the government operated three stooges, Fanny, Freddy and Fed. Any serious consideration of bailouts of fiscally corrupt states will be a "bridge too far" and push greater anger, disunity and possibly even Depression. Compounding national problems, our insipid politicians are likely to legislate multiple layer relentless taxation upon anything produced, moved or used in America.

This approach could allow the federal government to feast along unabated on a tax and spend agenda, taxing goods and services at every stop.

Last November the majority ruled, so we the sheeple accept what we got. Now we can only roll our eyes on statements of "saving millions" while otherwise spending trillions, and the other unmeasurable and irrational head fakes.

I will support new political personalities bent on total reform replacing the arrogant incumbents who voted for that unread spending legislation, especially those members of the U.S. House and Senate driving us downhill and picking up speed. There are many, articulate and emerging real Americans who should feel a calling to serve. No risk in the replacement of the failures!

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Make dad smile

Dad won't have to open his wallet to show off photos of his brood if he's wearing a custom photo tie from The Shirt Box in Farmington Hills. The store is will hold a photo session for kids, 4-7 p.m., Thursday, June 18. Children can have their likeness permanently placed on a tie for \$10. Fotos By Design will be at the store with all the necessary equipment to create the ties on site. Ties can be created with photos of multiple children and no appointment is necessary. There will be plenty of white ties available, and a background for the photos set up. Professional photos will be taken of children and then adhered to the ties via a heat transfer process in which the ink from the photo becomes a permanent part of the product itself. The Shirt Box is located at 32500 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills. (248) 851-6770.

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Inline skating demos, where skaters can test skates before purchasing, will take place noon-5 p.m. June 13 at the Farmington Hills store,

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It's Bootcamp Baby! is registering students for June classes in Farmington.

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"It is bootcamp, after all," says owner and Head Drill Sergeant Julian Loreda.

Classes last an hour. They'll run from 9:30-10:30 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays in Drake Park, 23300 Drake. Class sizes will be relatively small. The first class is free to anybody who's never worked out with an It's Bootcamp Baby! drill sergeant before.

"I wanted to keep the class sizes small," says Loreda. "That allows us to give campers an experience that is similar to personal training, but for a price that's a lot less."

Prices start at around \$15 per class. A nutritional coach is also available with various programs from diet reviews to cooking classes to a guided trip through the grocery store.

Visit the It's Bootcamp Baby! Web site at www.itsbootcampbaby.com for details on what to bring to class, for bios of drill sergeants and online signup forms.

Weekend fitness and military bootcamps are also offered.

It's Bootcamp Baby! is the brainchild of personal trainer and martial arts guru Julian Loreda.



It's Bootcamp Baby! includes fitness moves such as crawling under objects.



A bootcamp participant works out by climbing a wooden structure.



Julian Loreda founded It's Bootcamp Baby! and is one of its 'drill sergeants.'

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W-W cuts spending, maintains programs

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Wayne-Westland Community Schools won't be spending as much in the new budget year as it has this year. The purchase of replacement school buses, library books, textbooks and some technology replacement has been reduced as the district grapples with dwindling state and federal revenue.

"The revenue is at the lowest level it's been since 2000-01; we're acting to address the situation," said Gary Martin, deputy superintendent of administrative and business services. "This is really a tough time for education."

The 2009-10 budget, presented to the school board Monday evening, projected that the district will take in \$111.6 million in revenue and use \$7 million of its \$9 million fund equity to cover \$118.6 million in expenses. The \$2 million is the lowest fund equity the district has had since 1994-95, when it was plunged into deficit with the advent of Proposal A. The district was \$1.9 million in the hole that year and was able to build up to a \$3.1 million surplus in 1995-96.

Martin estimates the district will receive 79.4 percent of its revenue, \$88.7 million, from the state, down from \$91.5 million during the current budget year. He is projecting that the per-pupil foundation allowance of \$7,957 will remain flat at best and could be cut by executive order, if there continues to be a reduction in state revenue collections.

Property taxes will provide 16.9 percent (\$18.8 million) of revenue, while 3.7 percent (\$2.5 million) will come in large part from the intermediate school district.

Cost containment will save the district \$2.2 million. However, the district anticipates salary increases around 1.5 percent, a modest increase of 0.4 percent to 16.94 percent of pay for state retirement costs and

2- to 3-percent increases in health care in the new budget year.

Martin also is projecting the district's current enrollment of 13,143 students will drop to 12,787, due in large part to the state's failing economy. Some of those losses will be offset with new schools of choice enrollment.

The district has lost more than 1,500 students since the 2002-03 school year, representing \$11.9 million in lost revenue, Martin said.

"Eighty percent of the districts in this state have lost enrollment," he said. "The state has lost 107,000 students. We'll have 142,000 fewer school-aged children by 2015. The losses are staggering."

A new state School Aid Act isn't anticipated before August or September and the receipt of \$6.8 million in enhanced school aid the district receives remains in doubt.

According to Supt. Greg Baracy, there's been no decision on the enhanced revenue because the latest revenue predictions are "even more dismal." If school officials are unable to get the enhanced revenue put back into a new School Aid Act, the district will be "in immediate deficit," Baracy said.

The state expects the State School Aid Fund to have a \$732 million shortfall in 2009-10 on top of a \$425 million shortfall this year. Other than earmarked funds, federal stimulus money meant for the schools will be used to plug holes in the fund, although it won't be enough to cover all of the losses, he said.

"The stimulus money will cover \$265 per student in 2009-10 and \$457 per student in 2010-11. When it runs out, it will be rolled back to us," Baracy said. "Just when you think it can't get any worse, it gets worse. We're going through the same thing business is going through."

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Summer camp is magic for kids

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Teachers get their summers off from school, but career-technical teacher Will Heine has decided to go back to school, so to speak.

A veteran magician, Heine has decided to open a summer magic camp for youngsters interested in learning the art of prestidigitation.

"As a high school teacher, I realized that kids don't have a lot of interaction time with people anymore," said the Plymouth resident. "They're busy texting friends, they're on the computer. The camp will be fun and teach kids those interaction skills."

Campers will learn sleight of hand, stage magic, juggling, balloon animals, presentation skills, the art of magic, building a stage magic trick, writing a story line for a trick and timing of humor, all leading up to a Grand Finale Magic Show for their parents. The week also will include magic performances by Heine and other magic and juggling guests.

They'll receive a Magic Bag full of all the props they'll need to learn the magic routines taught during the week and a DVD containing all the lessons taught so that kids can refer to them, if they happen to forget how to perform a trick.

"They'll come away with the tools needed to perform tricks they've learned during the week," Heine said. "They'll learn how to tear and restore newspaper, amazing rope tricks, how to float objects and how to make sponge rabbits disappear from guests' hands into their hands."

The camp will be offered in four sessions — Monday-Friday, July 6-10, July 13-17, July 20-24 and July 27-31 — at the Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile, just west of Meadowbrook, Novi. If



Juggling will be one of the skills youngsters will learn at a summer magic camp being offered by magician Will Heine of Plymouth.



According to Will Heine, youngsters will learn to do 'amazing rope tricks.'

those four weeks fill up, sessions will be opened the first two weeks of August.

Hours will 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and lunch will be provided by the church's licensed kitchen. The cost is \$370 — a deposit of \$185 in advance with the remainder due at a pre-camp meeting. Child care also is available 6:30-8:30 a.m. and 3-5:30 p.m. for a one time fee of \$40. Parents will receive a full refund of their deposit if the child is unable to attend the camp.

For more information

about Heine's Summer Magic Camp, call (877) ALAKAZAM, (877) 252-5292, or go online at SummerMagicCamp.com.

"The camp is about fun and making kids smarter," said Heine. "The camp will be entertaining and will be about entertaining."

Heine has been a magician for more than 30 years. He was introduced to the sleight of hand at age 10 and did his first show at age 11. His first gig was three doors down his street at a birthday party and his first trick was

the egg bag in which an egg magically appears and disappears in a bag.

During his career, he has been an opening act at the Fisher Theater for comedian Robert Townsend and for fellow magician Harry Blackstone Jr. A desktop publishing teacher at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center in Westland, he also has used his magic to capture his students' attention and as an incentive.

His dream has been to open a magic camp and it's been in the works for five years. Heine found that being a respected magician was a huge boost for his self-esteem and he wants to provide his campers with the positive identification.

"I wanted to build a solid camp that offers a great experience for the kids, something that would help them develop their life skills," he said. "If you're a good communicator and a fun person, you do better in life. People will gravitate to you because you're fun to be around."

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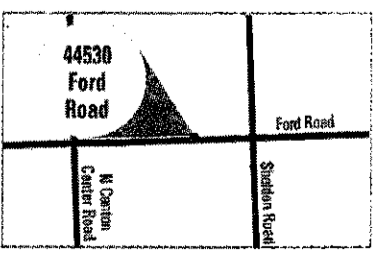


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HOMETOWN LIFE



2009 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL REGIONALS

Chiefs rout Shamrocks in D-1 semi

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Put a little cheddar on that Canton rally, please. The Chiefs' varsity baseball team, behind an excellent pitching performance from junior Kevin Delapaz and a three-run double by sophomore Seth Tschetter, defeated Novi-Detroit Catholic Central 10-3 in Saturday's Division 1 semifinal at Novi.

"We had a nice clutch hit," said Canton head coach Mark Blomshield, whose team advanced to the regional final against Birmingham Brother Rice for a second consecutive season. "Seth Tschetter came up with the bases loaded and one out (in the fifth of a 4-1 game) and we really needed him to hit the ball."

"He got in an 0-2 count right away, battled back to a full count and emptied the bases on a double and that pretty much solidified it for us."

Tschetter's blast over the centerfielder's head, scored seniors Nick Sweda, Nick Tomelinko and Dan Stoney to give the Chiefs a 7-1 edge.

Earlier in the fifth, Delapaz singled with one out and that got the ball rolling. Freshman courtesy runner Greg McCurry showed some base-running poise, moving to second on a wild pitch and then to third on a fielder's choice when he beat the throw from Catholic Central junior catcher Matt Schaeffer.

McCurry then scored on a sacrifice fly by junior Cody Blakita, barely beating the tag with a nifty head-first slide.

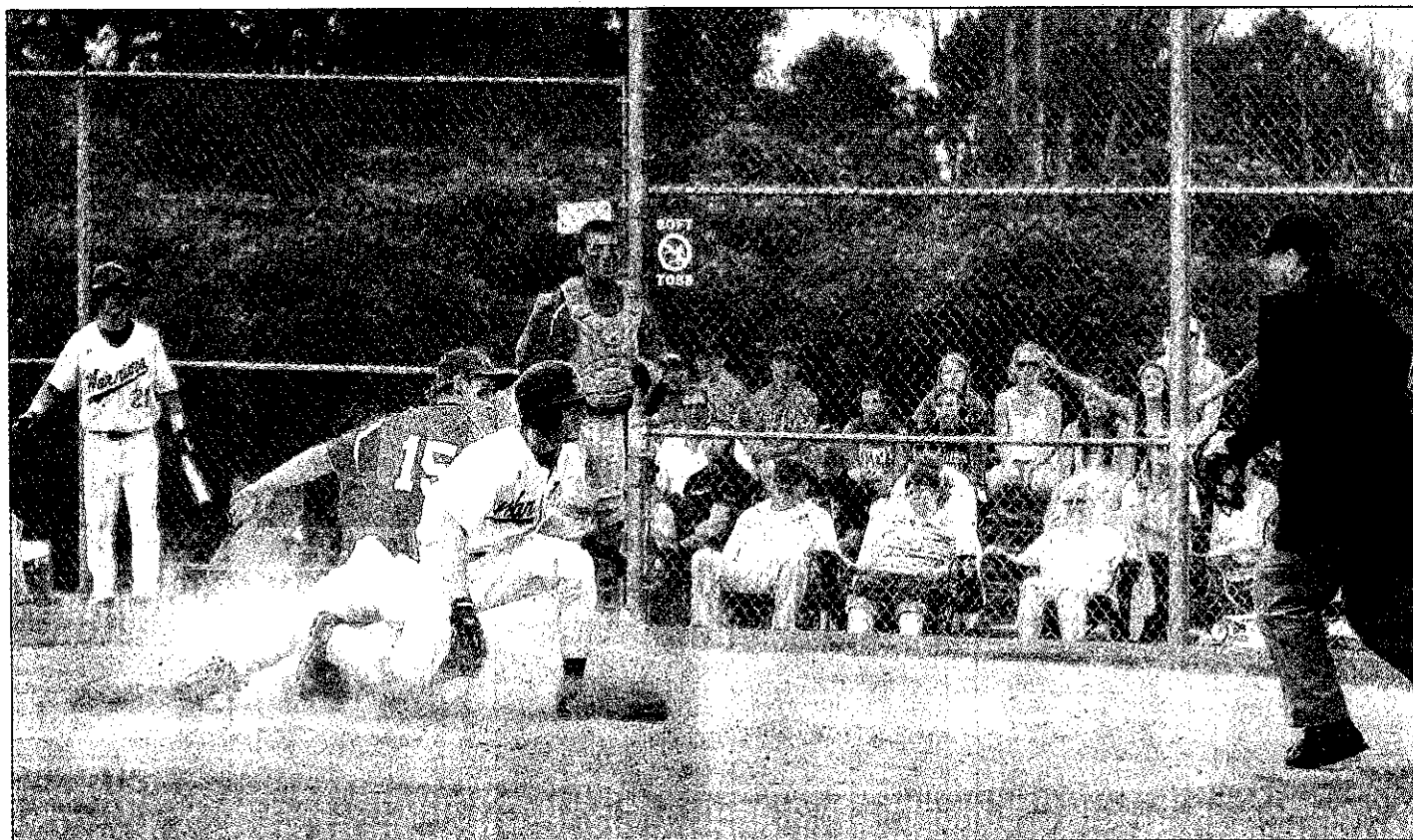
"We were going to send him no matter what," Blomshield said. "He's a freshman, he's speedy. He made a nice slide and got a corner of the plate, that was a huge run for us."

Left-handed Delapaz perhaps didn't need that offensive surge all that much because he was in command.

Delapaz, who improved to 10-0 on the season, gave up just one run and two hits over six innings.

Catholic Central (18-17) scored in the third when junior Marc Zughaib doubled down the left-field line and scored on a single up the middle by senior John Rose.

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PHOTOS BY YVETTE DIXON

Canton pitcher Alex Dixon awaits the umpire's call after slapping a tag on Birmingham Brother Rice's Alex Sohn during the second inning of Saturday's Division 1 regional final at Novi. In the background is Chiefs catcher Dan Stoney, who made the out possible by hustling to retrieve a passed ball and flip the ball to Dixon.

Getting closer

Late rally lifts Brother Rice past Canton in regional final - again

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The taste of sweet revenge for Canton's varsity baseball team was on the tip of its collective tongue at Saturday's Division 1 regional final in Novi.

Trying to make amends for a 12-1 mercy loss to Birmingham Brother Rice in the 2008 regionals, the Chiefs were up 1-0 against those Warriors entering the sixth inning of this year's final.

But the savvy Warriors again showed why they are perennial winners — using a leadoff walk in the sixth as the springboard to a four-run rally, plenty for a 4-1 victory.

"That's baseball," said dejected Canton coach Mark Blomshield, whose team finished 25-12 for the year. "I think the kids played with a lot of courage and a lot of guts today."

"I'm real happy with how we played, we just didn't end up on top."

Putting it more succinctly afterward was Chiefs' senior catcher Dan Stoney.

"It sucks to lose, especially to lose to the same team and in the same game, the regional finals, Stoney said. "We hung

with them this year, last year we got merried. So nothing else we could have done except play a little bit better."

Citing the been-there, done-that factor was veteran Brother Rice head coach Bob Riker.

"It's nice, they've been through this before," Riker said. "But that can be a double-edged sword, though."

His team now faces Saline 3 p.m. Tuesday at Chelsea in a rematch of the 2009 Division 1 state final, won 8-0 by the Warriors.

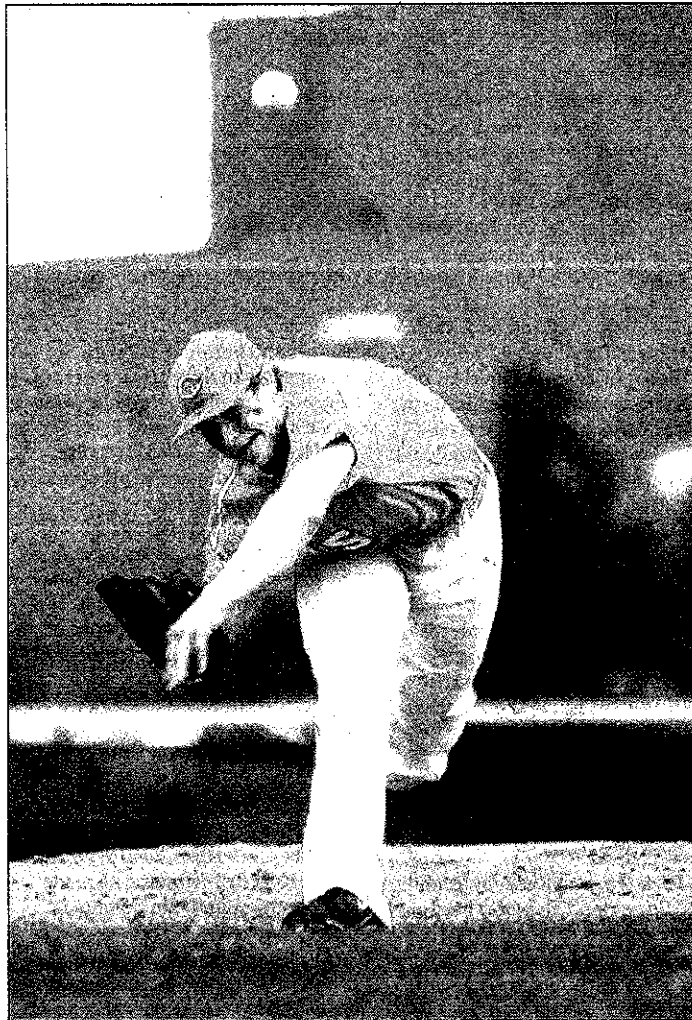
Stoney's grit and determination helped keep the Chiefs from falling behind early on.

In the top of the second of a scoreless game, Stoney scrambled after a passed ball and threw to junior pitcher Alexander Dixon covering the dish to nail Warriors' senior Alex Sohn attempting to score.

"That's huge," Blomshield said. "If that doesn't happen, they draw first blood and we're playing from behind. We know we play better when we're up."

The Chiefs did finally get on the board first, with a run in the fourth against Brother Rice senior pitcher Derek Kilmier.

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For the first five innings of Saturday's regional final, Canton junior pitcher Alex Dixon stymied the experienced lineup of Birmingham Brother Rice.

SIDELINES

Wildcat grid camp

Ready to get cracking? The Plymouth Wildcats football team is holding its Youth Camp from Monday, June 22, through Wednesday, June 24, at the PCEP Turf Stadium for players interesting in honing their linemen or passing skills.

There will be two sessions of the camp, being run by coach Mike Sawchuk. For those going into grades 5-9, sessions will be 5-7 p.m. each day; players entering grades 10-12 go 7-9 p.m.

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Learn to skate

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New CAHA site

The Canton Amateur Hockey Association recently unveiled a new and improved Web site for the 2009-10 season.

The site has all the information anyone might need about CAHA teams, leagues and coaches for next year as well as brand new online registration.

Check it out at www.cantonhockey.org.

Summer spikers

Plymouth varsity volleyball coach Kelly McCausland is hosting a camp for those entering grades 6-10, to take place 1-4 p.m. Monday, July 27, through Wednesday, July 29. The camp is slated for Plymouth High School.

The fee is \$65. Contact McCausland at mccausk@taylor.k12.mi.us for more information.

Canton Chiefs grid camps

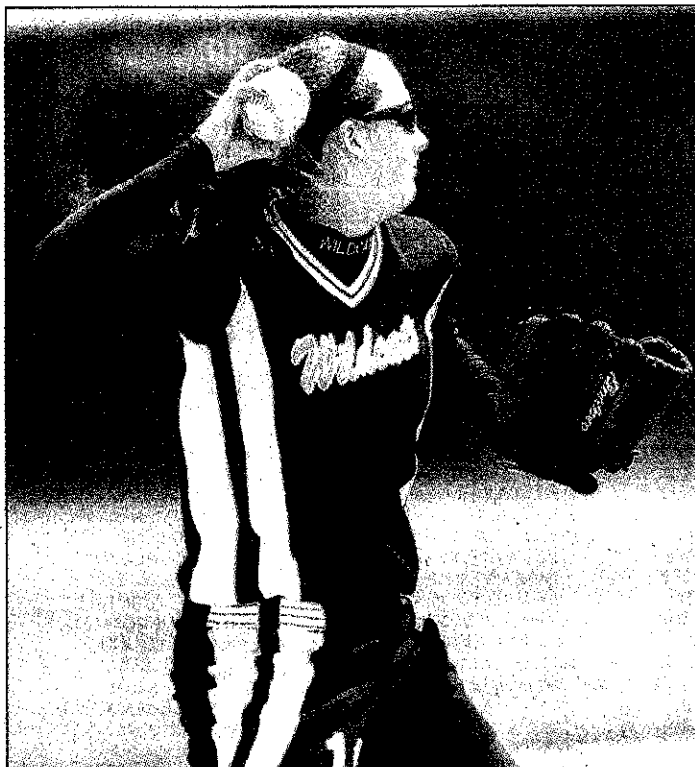
The Canton High School football program will be hosting two more camps this month.

• On June 15-18, the Canton Chiefs Wing T/3-4 Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 10-12.

The camp, which costs \$30, will run 2-5:30 p.m. June 15 and 5-8 p.m. the other three days. For more information, contact Tim Baechler at (734) 455-7691.

• On June 22-25, the Canton Chiefs Fundamental Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 3-6. The camp, which costs \$75, will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Enza Lanava at (313) 300-1173.

'Cats put up courageous effort against Lakeland



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth's Stacey Klonowski guns the ball to first during Saturday's Division 1 regional semifinal against Lakeland.

BY JEFF THEISEN
SPORTS WRITER

Plymouth just missed pulling off an upset that would've really opened some eyes in the regional opener.

The Wildcats pushed Lakeland to eight innings, but fell 5-3 in the extra frame. Plymouth finishes an impressive 32-10.

"They played with passion," Plymouth head coach Val Canfield said. "At the beginning of the season, that's something that they had a hard time finding. We gave it our all."

Wildcats sophomore pitcher Lauren Smith pitched a scoreless first, while Plymouth wasted little time in taking the lead.

Senior catcher Erin Rodes started the inning off with a single. With two outs, Lakeland chose to intentionally walk Amanda Burnard, and Jessica Bondy made the Eagles pay. She singled up the middle to score Rodes.

An error and a triple later in the second by Eric Rizzo led to a 2-1 lead by Lakeland. But Plymouth didn't back down, and tied the game up in the bottom of the second. Rodes doubled home a run with two outs for the 2-2 tie.

The Wildcats took the lead with a two-out rally started with a bunt single by Bondy.

She stole second and scored on a single later in the inning.

Lakeland tied the game on another triple by Rizzo in the fourth, and things remained scoreless the rest of the regulation.

Plymouth's best chance came in the bottom of the seventh with runners on second and third and two outs. But Lakeland star pitcher Carlee Meek got a key strikeout to send the game into extra innings.

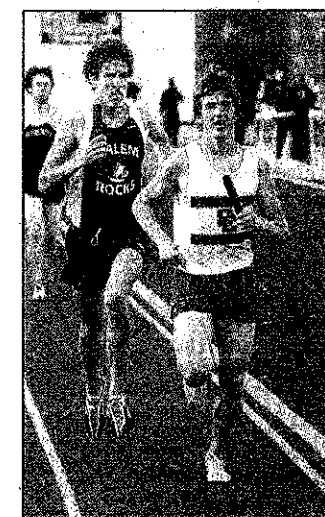
A leadoff double and three hits amounted to the final two runs for Lakeland, as the Eagles captured their fifth straight regional title.

Plymouth outthit the Eagles 10-6, but the run total is the only one that really matters in the end.

Canfield said immediately after the game she was already feeling the loss of her four seniors — Rodes, Jillian Brennan, Beth Heldmeyer and Miranda Oliver.

"I know how much they've worked and how hard they've played for the last four years, because I've had them for the last four years," Canfield said. "I really think, as a player, this is the way I would want to go out — the way they played against Lakeland." The Eagles (38-1) advanced to the state quarterfinals.

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Among the best

Salem's Matt Devey (left) was one of the top performers this season, earning his selection to the All-Observer boys track and field team. Please turn to page B2 for details.

Observerland's best prove heads of state

FIRST-TEAM INDIVIDUALS
Dana Baltazar, Jr., Salem (shot put): The junior had an outstanding year, capped off with a fourth-place throw of 49 feet, 2 inches at the Canton-hosted Division 1 regional. He also finished third in the discus (138-4) and hit 145-4 at the Observerland Relays.

Rocks' coach Kyle Meteyer praised Baltazar as his "most valuable field event athlete," capturing city, conference, division and MITCA team championships in the shot for his efforts.

Baltazar also was undefeated in dual meets in the shot.

T.J. Arancibia, Sr., Westland Glenn (discus): The senior, headed to Wayne State on a football scholarship, captured the KLAAs Kensington Conference championship with a throw of 146-6.

Arancibia also earned a trip to the Division 1 state finals with a runner-up finish at the Canton regional. He was also second in the KLAAs South Division meet.

"T.J. overcame some early season challenges to finish the season strong by winning the conference meet with a new record for first-time meet," Glenn coach Jess Shough said. "He finished fourth in last year's regional just missing the qualifying standard, so he had as his goal all season to qualify for this year's state finals and he did.

He was the mainstay of our throwers and will be truly missed."

Jamie Stewart, Sr., Liv. Clarenceville (high jump): The All-State basketball player set a Clarenceville school record with a leap of 6-7 and tied for fifth in the Division 3 state finals with a leap of 6-3.

Stewart was MITCA and Metro Conference champion, as well as runner-up in the Metro Conference. He also took a second in the 400 and third in the long jump in the Metro.

Stewart went a season-best 51.64 en route to a fourth in the 400 at the MITCA meet. **David Simor, Sr., Liv. Stevenson (long jump):** The senior enjoyed a productive season capped by an eighth-place finish in the long jump (21-11.75) at the state meet.

Simor also was regional, Kensington Conference and KLAAs Central Division champion.

"Dave had a good season after pulling his hamstring last year in the first meet while long jumping as a junior," Stevenson coach Scott Shaw said. "Dave is a hard working young man and has worked very hard on his technique in the long jump. Has gotten much more consistent through his years of jumping. In almost every meet he was over 21 feet."

Derik Peterman, Sr., Liv. Churchill (pole vault): The senior captain broke the school record with a vault of 15-8 and was the Division 1 state runner-up.

Peterman, headed to Michigan State, was also the Mansfield (Ohio) Relays, regional and KLAAs South Division champion.

In the 110 hurdles, Peterman took runner-up in the regional to qualify for the state finals.

"Derik is one of the finest track and field athletes to come out of our program, and we've had some good ones," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "His 15-8 was one of the top vaults in the Midwest this year.

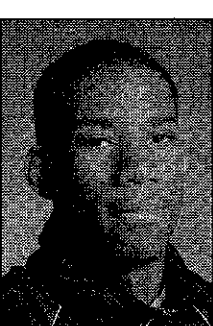
"Derik worked hard on his hurdle technique this season running 14.8 in the highs, which earned valuable points for our team. Derik is an outstanding student-athlete graduating with a 3.96 (grade-point average) and was a member of our pit orchestra team. As a captain, Derik led by example."

Vanier Joseph, Sr., Red. Thurston (110 hurdles): Competing in this event since his freshman year, Joseph culminated a stellar four-year varsity career by racing past the field at the Division 2 state meet and laying claim to the title of state champion in the 110 hurdles. His winning time was 14.35. At regionals, Joseph crossed in a head-turning 13.99, which proved to be a new Thurston record.

"He just loves and lives the sport," Thurston coach LaMar Miller said. "If I had five Vanier Josephs, I wouldn't need anybody else on the team. He's a fine young man and extremely hard worker. He went to state his junior year and just missed out by finishing fifth in the semi-finals. He worked hard and really wanted to come back this year and show people what he could do."



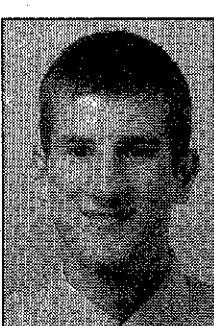
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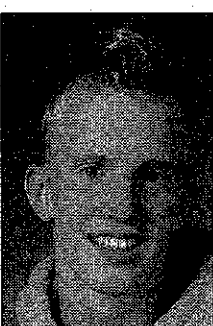
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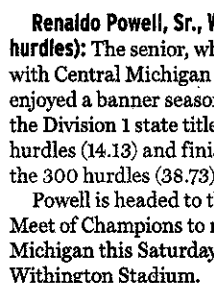
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Renaldo Powell, Sr., Wayne (300 hurdles):

The senior, who has signed with Central Michigan University, enjoyed a banner season winning the Division 1 state title in the 110 hurdles (14.13) and finishing third in the 300 hurdles (38.73).

Powell is headed to the Midwest Meet of Champions to represent Michigan this Saturday at Jackson's Withington Stadium.

"Renaldo led by example, he kept practice fun for the underclassmen, and he did a great job of recruiting," Wayne coach Lee Grizzell said. "He performed so well this year because he has an excellent work ethic. Renaldo is such a good hurdler because he has really powerful legs and his technique is very good."

Nick Anagnostou, Sr., Liv. Stevenson (100 dash): In only his second season of track, Anagnostou posted an area-best 10.7 in the 100.

He was the last Western Lakes Activities Association and the first KLAAs Kensington Conference champion in the 100. Anagnostou also captured the KLAAs Central Division title and finished fourth at Observerland.

"Nick is a good leader by example," Shaw said. "He works hard at practice most every day. He's a very strong finisher in the 100. I wish we had the opportunity to work with him for four years."

Parish Clayborn, Sr., Wayne (200): The senior, who posted the area's top time (22.2) in the 200, was runner-up in the KLAAs South Division meet.

Clayborn also placed fifth in Observerland in the 100 and had the area's second best time in that event (10.8).

"Parish did a great job for us this year," Grizzell said. "He competed in the 100, 200, long jump and anchored both speed relays. Throughout the entire year, Parish never gave up a lead in any of the relays he ran in."

Darius Davis, Sr., Harrison (400): Davis finished third in the Division 1 state meet with a time of 49.7 seconds. He also was third last year in Division 2. Davis had the area's best time at 49.4. He was a member of

three Harrison relays that placed among the top three in the area. Davis plans to play football in college, too, for either a GLIAC or Texas school.

"We're very, very proud of Darius getting third in the state," coach John Reed said. "He's been an excellent performer all four years. He's been very focused on being a great runner and he's done it. He's going to be a big loss to the program, because he's been running in the state meet since his freshman year."

Warren Buzzard, Jr., Plymouth (800): Buzzard sparked all season, highlighted by his second-place finish in the 800 run (1:58.37) at the Canton-hosted D1 regional. He exceeded his time at the subsequent state meet (1:57.58), although that only netted him eighth place. Buzzard's personal best for the year was 1:57.2.

Meanwhile, at the prestigious Observerland Relays, he took third in the open 1,600 with a time of 4:32.2.

"He could run forever, he had so much in the tank he made every-training look effortless," said Wildcats' coach Kurt Britnell. "And he made everybody around him that much better."

Elmar Engholm, Sr., Plymouth (1,600): The senior exchange student from Sweden picked up where he left off last fall as an All-Observer cross country selection, again demonstrating athleticism and determination to be a sparkplug for Plymouth's track and field squad.

But a hamstring injury curtailed what could have been a brilliant season, which did feature a best of 4:20.0.

"He set record in cross country in the fall and this spring I thought he was going to break every mid-distance and distance event we have," Britnell said.

Matt Devey, Sr., Salem (3,200): The senior placed second at the D1 regional at Canton with an impressive time of 9:43.39, which represented quite an improvement from the 11:40 he ran as a freshman.

Then in the state meet at East Kentwood, Devey ran it even quicker

(9:40.16), good for 13th place.

Salem coach Meteyer emphasized Devey's work ethic, another reason for shaving off that kind of time as well as going from 5:29 in ninth grade in the 1,600 run at MITCA to 4:28 at team states this spring.

"He is the definition of hard work paying off," said Meteyer about Devey, also the cross country captain at Salem. Devey plans on running cross at Wayne State University.

FIRST-TEAM RELAYS
400, Churchill (Anthony Frezzell, Jr.; Scott Coppola, Jr.; Travis Tomey, Sr.; Devon Easterling, Sr.): This quartet placed fifth in the Division 1 state finals (school record 42.82) after finishing runner-up in the regional.

Frezzell, a three-sport athlete, and Coppola, both return next season.

Easterling plans to run track at Eastern Michigan, while Tomey plans to enroll in the fire fighting academy.

They were also Observerland Relays 400 relay champion for the first time in school history along with Kensington Conference and West Bloomfield Invitational champs.

"This fearsome foursome carried our team all season in the speed relays and open events," Austin said. "They are one of the hardest working groups I've had a Churchill led by captain Shane Henson. Each took pride in the way that they ran each leg of our two speed relays. I could always count on these four gentlemen to perform at their best."

800, Stevenson (David Simor, Sr.; Jacob Gudeman, Sr.; Nate Sergison, Sr.; Nick Anagnostou, Sr.): This quartet took first at Observerland breaking the school record with a time of 1:28.28.

They also finished third in the Division 1 state finals (1:29.63) after winning the regional, conference and divisional crowns.

"This was a good group to work with," Shaw said. "They all wanted to perform well throughout the season and make a good showing at the state meet, which I think we accomplished."

1,600 Salem (Scott O'Connor, Sr.; Dan Martin, Sr.; Dominique Williams, Sr.; Zack Gaskell, Jr.): This foursome finished 11th overall at the D1 state meet with a season-best time of 3:27.43. They qualified by capturing the regional with a clocking of 3:28.27.

Coach Meteyer will have all four components back next year.

He said Gaskell is a "very coachable athlete who gives full effort in individual and team objectives" and could be a college decathlete. Martin ran the fastest split on the team at D1 states in the 1,600 relay with a mark of 50.7 seconds after recovering from a hip injury.

O'Connor brought excellence to the 800 and 1,600 relays and came within one second of setting new Salem marks in the 800 relay and 300 hurdles. And Williams is a "versatile athlete" who also can run in three relays and several field events.

3,200 Plymouth (Justin Heck, Sr.; Matt Neumann, Jr.; Derek Lax, Sr.; Warren Buzzard, Jr.): The Wildcats quartet qualified for the D1 state meet thanks to a second-place time of 8:05.24 at the regionals.

They went on to take 18th at East Kentwood, with a still admirable time of 8:11.97.

It was quite a showing considering the unit lost Elmar Engholm to a leg injury midway through the season and needed to plug in sophomore Heck, who more than filled the void.

"Justin did a whale of a job, he was a heckuva leader for being that young and (the relay team) didn't miss a beat," coach Britnell said.

Neumann "worked hard and was real competitive" while Lax provided senior leadership as "the glue" of the group. Meanwhile, Buzzard simply was outstanding in all aspects for the Rocks.

"I'm very proud of the four," Britnell said. "They not only did a great job on the track but they are great young men."

COACH OF THE YEAR
Kyle Meteyer, Salem: The fourth-year coach guided the Rocks to a Division 1 regional championship along with the Observerland Relays runner-up finish.

Salem's rich track and field history.

"This season was magical from the very first meet," Meteyer said. "We won our first dual meet against Stevenson and we knew that we had turned a corner."

Most gratifying was how '06 freshmen Matt Devey (first-team 3200 run) and Pat Patin (200 dash) took two and four minutes, respectively, off their times in those events as ninth graders.

"To me, and to the juniors and seniors who have been on this team from the get-go, this season was like eating a huge, delicious feast that you had to plant, grow, harvest and prepare yourself," Meteyer continued.

"It was a lot of work to create, and there were times when a part of us wanted to give up when the going was rough, but we stuck with it and now things are paying off."

Meteyer said this year's excellent junior class will be ready to keep things moving in the right direction in 2010.

Salem went 5-0 in KLAAs Central Division dual meets and placed second at the KLAAs Kensington Conference and Central Division meets.

The Rocks also defeated very good teams such as Farmington Harrison and Ypsilanti to win the North Farmington Raider Relays.

Under Meteyer's watch, the Rocks have improved from a very young squad in 2006 to one that can rightly be placed along those teams that in the past helped craft

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2009 ALL-OBSERVER BOYS TRACK TEAMS
Shot put: 1. Dana Baltazar, Jr., Salem; 2. Ed Merhi, Jr., Salem; 3. Deon Clemons, Jr., Livonia Churchill.
Discus: 1. T.J. Arancibia, Sr., Westland John Glenn; 2. Jason Foster, Sr., Canton; 3. Sean McAuliffe, Jr., Livonia Franklin.
High jump: 1. Jamie Stewart, Sr., Livonia Clarenceville; 2. Zach Gaskell, Jr., Salem; 3. Kevin Beadle, Sr., Franklin.
Long jump: 1. David Simor, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; 2. Jason Byars, Sr., Farmington; 3. Isaac Cadet, Sr., Franklin.
Pole vault: 1. Derik Peterman, Sr., Churchill; 2. Jon Grinter, Sr., North Farmington; 3. Jon Gudeman, Jr., Stevenson.
110-meter hurdles: 1. Vanier Joseph, Sr., Redford Thurston; 2. Tendo Lukwago, Jr., Farmington Hills Harrison; 3. Shammah Carter, Sr., Farmington.
300 hurdles: 1. Renaldo Powell, Sr., Wayne Memorial; 2. Sherif Hassanien, Sr., Canton; 3. Scott O'Connor, Jr., Salem.
100 dash: 1. Nick Anagnostou, Sr., Stevenson; 2. (tie) Jeremy Langford, Jr., John Glenn; Charles Anthony, Jr., Farmington.
200: 1. Parish Clayborn, Sr., Wayne; 2. Dominique Williams, Jr., Salem; Chris Pride, Jr., Harrison.
400: 1. Darius Davis, Sr., Harrison; 2. Nate Sergison, Sr., Stevenson; 3. Jon Stoddard, Sr., Garden City.
800: 1. Warren Buzzard, Jr., Plymouth; 2. Spencer Lyle, Sr., Lutheran High Westland; 3. Keith Zech, Jr., Canton.
1,600: 1. Elmar Engholm, Sr., Plymouth; 2. Josh Hurst, Sr., Canton; 3. Dan Martin, Sr., Salem.
3,200: 1. Matt Devey, Sr., Salem; 2. Shawn Howse, Sr., Stevenson; 3. Joe Porcari, Jr., Plymouth.
FIRST-TEAM RELAYS
400: 1. Churchill (Anthony Frezzell, Jr.; Scott Coppola, Jr.; Travis Tomey, Sr.; Devon Easterling, Sr.); 2. Franklin (Richard Duncan, Jr.; Isaac Cadet, Sr.; Mike Baumgardner, Jr.; Paul Voegel, Sr.); 3. Harrison (Will Ferguson, Jr.; Aaron Burbridge, Jr.; Darius Davis, Sr.; Chris Pride, Jr.).
800: 1. Stevenson (David Simor, Sr.; Jacob Gudeman, Sr.; Nate Sergison, Sr.; Nick Anagnostou, Sr.); 2. Farmington (James Vincent-Taylor, Sr.; Leonard Welch, Jr.; Anthony Ward, Sr.; Jaifus Ingram, Jr.); 3. Harrison (Tendo Lukwago, Jr.; Aaron Burbridge, Jr.; Darius Davis, Sr.; Chris Pride, Jr.).
1,600: 1. Salem (Scott O'Connor, Jr.; Dan Martin, Sr.; Dominique Williams, Jr.; Zach Gaskell, Jr.); 2. Harrison (Darius Davis, Sr.; Chris Pride, Jr.; Max Chapman, Jr.); 3. Stevenson (Nate Sergison, Sr.; Stephen Pollard, Jr.; Matt Williams, Sr.; David Simor, Sr.).
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COACH OF THE YEAR
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FINAL BOYS TRACK & FIELD LISTINGS

BEST AREA BOYS TRACK TIMES	Zach Gaskell (Salem) 6-5	Kevin Beadle (Franklin) 12-6	Will Burek (Stevenson) 41.4	Charles Anthony (Farmington) 22.5	Francis Mensah (RU) 2:03.0	Zack Spreitzer (Canton) 10:14.9
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Ladywood hangs on, advances to D-2 semifinal

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Ladywood girls softball coach Scott Combs appropriately devoured a Rice Krispie treat following Tuesday's 3-2 Division 2 state quarterfinal victory over Richmond.

"I used to work for Kellogg's," Combs said. "I'm from Battle Creek, graduated from Harper Creek High School, My 83-year-old dad (Sidney) is an old WWII vet and still lives there. He's been calling me every single minute to see how we're doing."

The second-year coach and his 37-6 Blazers are doing just fine and just two wins away from a coveted state title.

Ladywood will make its first state semifinal appearance in school history, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Battle Creek's Bailey Park to face

Williamston (34-7-1), which advanced with a 10-3 quarterfinal victory over host Carleton Airport.

Freshman pitcher Briana Combs helped preserve the quarterfinal win at Novi when she retired Kristen Skoryanc on a pop-out to the mound with the tying run on third base. Combs held the Blue Devils (23-9) to only two hits while striking out six and walking only one.

"She's only walked 12 all season in 40 games," said Scott Combs, father of the ace pitcher. "She doesn't hit 65 MPH, but she throws to the spots and gets people out."

Briana Combs got plenty of offensive support as the Blazers collected eight hits. First baseman Alysa Gietl figured prominently going 3-for-4 with an RBI and two runs scored.

The Blazers jumped out to a 2-0 lead

in the bottom of the third when freshman Carli SanMillan reached base on a Richmond error. Gietl followed with an RBI double and freshman Cara Miller added an RBI single.

The Blazers added another run to make it 3-0, but in the top of the sixth, the Blazers' usually reliable defense became unglued as Skoryanc and Jillian Boyd reached base on infield errors. Erin Dunsmore's two-out single to left scored both runners.

That set the stage for the harrowing top of the seventh as Kingman reached base on an infield error. Catcher Alexa Garant moved pinch runner Ashleigh Maas to second with a sacrifice bunt and took third on a fielder's choice.

Skoryanc then swung at Briana Combs' first pitch and popped out to the mound, sending the Blazers into a wild celebration.



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Ladywood catcher Jordan Searcy makes a key putout during the sixth inning during Tuesday's Division 2 state quarterfinal against Richmond. Third baseman Courtney LaValley converges on the play.

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What you need to know before you tee off at your charity outing

By Susan Smiley

Summer is here and that means an abundance of golf outings and charity golf events. Both organizers and participants should keep in mind the two main purposes of charity golf outings: to raise money for a good cause and to have fun.

"Playing in a charity outing is about being out, meeting people and having fun," said David Hershey, a member at Forest Akers Golf Club who has played in many charity events. "You are giving money to a cause and being privileged to play golf for your contribution. If you can't accept that, then send a check and stay home. Make sure the people you are playing with are having fun and be respectful of them."

Pete Driscoll is the PGA Professional at Fieldstone Golf Club in Auburn Hills, and his club hosts a fair share of golf outings. Driscoll reminds those in charge of golf events to remember there

will be golfers of all different skill levels participating.

"You don't know the caliber of golfer you are going to get," Driscoll said. "A scramble situation is probably best because it keeps everyone involved. But whatever your format, try to make it where you are playing the right tees for everyone. Instead of having everyone tee off from the back tees you probably want to have everyone shoot from the white tees. Make sure that your highest handicap person is going to have a good day and have fun."

Having fun does not mean forgetting proper golf etiquette. Golfers should always remember to repair their ball marks and divots, rake bunkers and be mindful of pace of play.

"Pace of play is probably the biggest issue with a charity event," said Mark Stevens, PGA Professional at Meadowbrook Country Club. "Things go much smoother if golfers arrive on time and are ready to go for their tee

time. It should be an enjoyable day so keep the pace of play at a good level."

Driscoll, who estimates the time it takes to complete a round of golf at a typical outing is anywhere from five to six hours, suggests limiting the number of strokes golfers can take on a hole or the number of attempted strokes a golfer can make. It keeps the frustration level at a minimum and helps move play along.

"For those who have not played a whole bunch, put a limit on swings," Driscoll said. "If you don't hit your ball on your second swing, pick it up and throw it. That's what I tell the kids who are just learning to play golf. It's supposed to be a fun day!"

Stevens also advises golfers to check with the golf course about dress code before the event. Private clubs don't allow jeans and usually require a shirt with a collar. There also may be restrictions on shorts and most courses now only allow soft spike golf shoes. If

you are not sure, it is always best to call the course and double check.

"Particularly if your event is at a private course you want to make sure you are in accordance with the dress code," Stevens said.

Once you are out on the course playing, it is time to relax and have fun. But remember, it isn't just about you enjoying a day on the links; everyone in your foursome should have the same opportunity to enjoy the event.

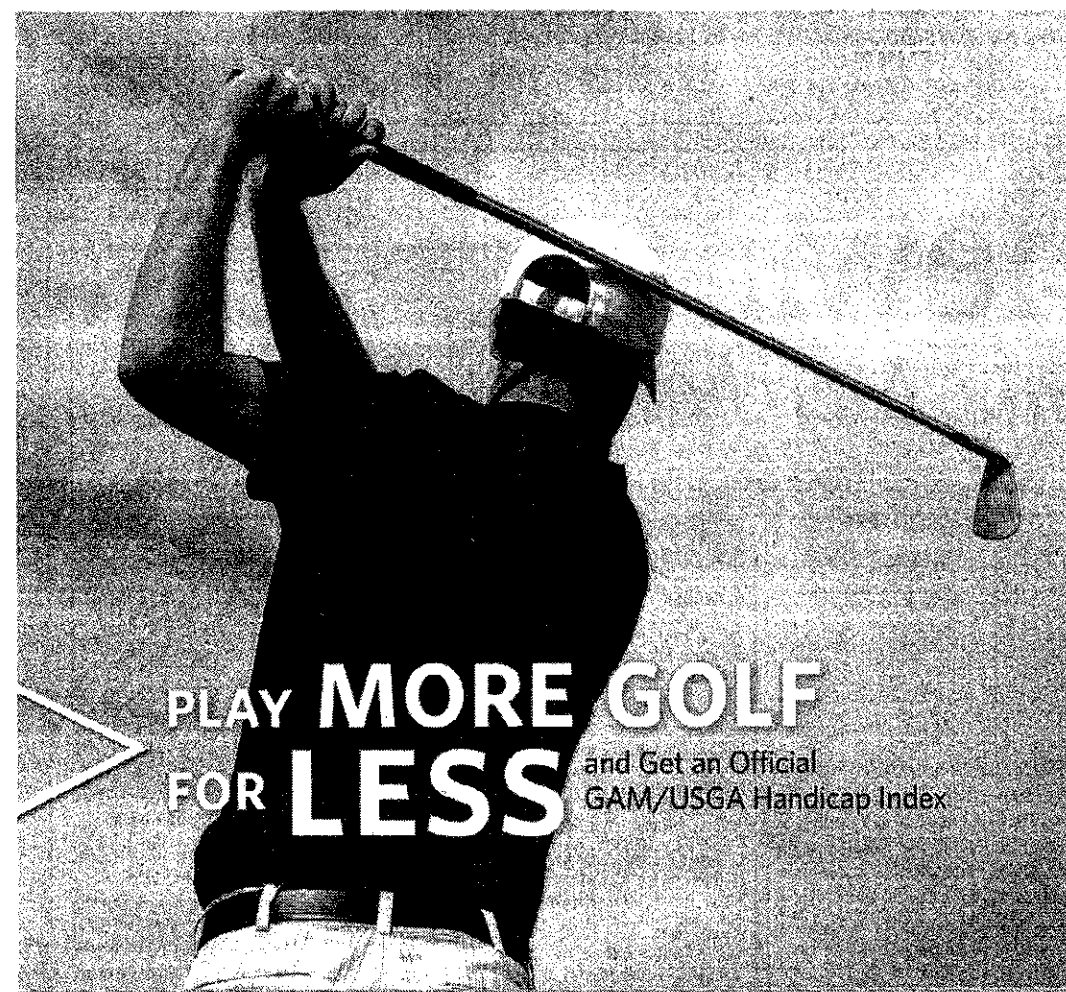
"I have done a lot of things at outings that I now regret," Hershey said. "Once I was so wrapped up in the competition that I drove past the women's tee not thinking about the women in the group. Another time I hit a ball close to a hole that had the prize for closest to the pin. The prize was two Lions tickets and I started cracking jokes like 'What is the second place prize — four tickets?'"

Quietly someone in the foursome told me the Lions tickets had been donated by another person in our foursome."

Hershey is much more outing-savvy now and would never make such a faux pas. In fact, now when he plays in a charity event, the actual competition is the very last thing on his mind. It is all about fun now because if people play in a charity outing and have a great time, they are likely to come back again the next year. In the long run, that raises more money for a good cause which is the point of these events.

"Door prizes and prizes for placing are very nice but I have not been to a work or charity outing where I couldn't afford to buy the prize if I wanted to," Hershey said. "Make it about the people you play with and they will remember you for that much more positively than they will for how you play."

Susan Smiley is the Golf Association of Michigan's Manager of Member Services & Communications.



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Canton cheer camp

The Canton High School cheerleading team will be hosting a summer camp for kids in grades kindergarten through eighth grade on June 22 from 8:30 a.m. (check-in) to 4 p.m.

The cost of the camp is \$50, which includes the clinic, lunch, an afternoon drink/snack and a Canton Cheer sports bag.

Call (734) 765-1998 or send an e-mail to carriers@comcast.net.

Detroit Lions youth camp

A Detroit Lions Summer Youth Football Camp will be held at Central Middle School in Plymouth July 6-9 from 8:30 a.m. to noon. This will be the fifth consecutive summer the camp will be held in Plymouth.

The Lions will conduct a minimum of 14 youth football camps in Michigan and Canada during the summer of 2009.

"We truly enjoy coming to Plymouth and working with the area's youth," said Chris Fritzsing, the Lions director of youth football. "It's going to be an exciting camp; a camp that allows us to help develop young athletes to become more educated and skilled football players, while emphasizing some of the life skills the game of football teaches: hard work, discipline, teamwork, communication and perseverance."

Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp is open to boys & girls ages 6-14, is non-contact and fundamental, and designed to improve a child's beginning, intermediate, or advanced skill level. Participants are grouped based on age and skill level. Camp is limited to the first 100 participants to register and is conducted by

Chris Fritzsing, Director of Detroit Lions Youth Football, and the Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp Coaching Staff, who are professional educators from the collegiate and high school ranks.

During Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp, participants will spend two days learning offensive fundamentals (quarterback, running back, wide receiver and offensive line) and two days learning defensive fundamentals (defensive line, linebacker, defensive back and tackling) in addition to learning special teams fundamentals (kicking, punting, and kick and punt returning). During camp, each participant will rotate to each one of the above mentioned positions to allow the participant to gain a better understanding of each of the positions and how they work together. Providing the fundamentals at every position will allow a participant to become much more knowledgeable about the game and will allow participants a better opportunity to earn "playing time" when it comes to playing organized football in the fall.

Interested participants may register by phone, fax, mail or online at www.ticketmaster.com. For more information, call (313) 262-2248, e-mail youthfootballcamps@detroitlions.com or visit www.DetroitLions.com/youthfootball.

P-CEP girls hoop camps

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's girls basketball programs will be hosting a pair of hoop camps next month.

The first camp will be hosted by Canton coach Brian Samulski and his coaching staff from June 15-19. The camp, which is for girls in 7th through 9th grades, will run from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. each

day at Pioneer Middle School. The cost is \$75, which includes a ball and T-shirt for each camper. The camp is No. 204 in the Community Education book. For more information, call (734) 416-2937.

The Plymouth, Canton and Salem coaching staffs will hold a camp for girls in 4th through 6th grades June 22-26 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Salem High School. The registration fee is \$75, which includes a ball and T-shirt for each camper. The course number is 202. For more information, call (734) 416-2937.

Canton Chiefs football camps

The Canton High School football program will be hosting two more camps this month.

On June 15-18, the Canton Chiefs Wing T/3-4 Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 10th through 12th. The camp, which costs \$30, will run from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on June 15 and from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. the other three days. For more information, contact Tim Baechler at (734) 455-7691.

On June 22-25, the Canton Chiefs Fundamental Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 3rd through 6th. The camp, which costs \$75, will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Enza Lanava at (313) 300-1173.

Learn to skate

The Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton is offering eight weeks of learn-to-skate sessions, beginning Tuesday, June 23.

Classes are 30 minutes each with 15 minutes of free time and are grouped by age and ability.

Parents can register children at the Arctic Edge, 46615 Michigan Avenue, or call (734) 487-777 for more information.



Canton junior left-handed pitcher Kevin Delapaz throws another strike during Saturday's Division 1 regional semifinal victory over Novi-Detroit Catholic Central. The win made Delapaz 10-0 for the season.

SEMIFINAL

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"Delapaz was pretty sharp," Blomshild said. "He threw a lot of first-pitch strikes, and that's what we've been working on. ... He had a nice breaking ball working for him."

Shamrocks' head coach Kevin Walters said the outcome came down to basics. "We only had two hits going in to the last inning," Walters said. "They hit the ball so they deserve to win. Delapaz threw a good ballgame for them."

"You've got to be good and you've got to be lucky at this point and they deserved it. They outthrew us, I thought they threw better on the mound than we did. They're a good team."

Canton broke out early, with two runs in the first against Catholic Central senior Brett Gossett.

Stoney (2-for-2) tripled in Sweda (who walked) and Blakita, who reached on an infield single.

Catholic Central cut the lead to 2-1 in the third but Stoney got it right back in the top of the fourth with a home run over the 340-foot mark in left-center.

Canton opened up a 10-1 advantage in the top of the seventh, with a double by Blakita (2-for-3) and a two-run double by junior Alex Dixon doing the

damage. The Shamrocks did tack on a couple runs in the seventh against Canton junior Andrew Tidwell.

Zughaib (2-for-3) singled and came home on a pinch-hit homer to left by senior Tony Thomas.

"One of the things I was real happy about was we had one of our seniors (Thomas), who was an All-Catholic player a year ago," Walters said. "The kid hit .330 or .340 every year on varsity and this year hurt his shoulder in the state championship hockey game and hit a home run here in the last inning so I was happy for him to go out that way."

Walters also was buoyed to see how his players "didn't quit, they scored a couple runs and got four hits in the last inning."

The loss still was a disappointment, obviously.

"Coming in to today's game, 25 games on our schedule this year were teams who were still in the state tournament," Walters said. "We played a competitive schedule all year long. It's kind of disappointing that we didn't have our 'A' game today, but against a good team you can't have let-downs."

The Chiefs, who improved to 25-11 with the semifinal victory, went on to lose 4-1 to Brother Rice in the final.

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FINAL

FROM PAGE B1

Sophomore Seth Tschetter (1-for-2) singled to left to bring home senior shortstop Nick Tomelinko (1-for-2), who led off the frame with a base hit.

But the Chiefs couldn't add on to that lead, not able to take advantage of a walk and error in the bottom of the fifth against Brother Rice senior reliever Brad Zambron.

GIVE THEM AN INCH

Southpaw Dixon was dominating the Warriors through five, giving up just an infield single to Sohn in the third. Dixon only allowed five hits in the game.

Needing just six outs to finish off the Canton nemesis, he missed on a close 2-2 pitch to leadoff batter Alex Charles and

eventually walked him. "It was close," Stoney said. "Umpires have different strike zones, so it could have gone either way."

Riker added that the pitch "didn't miss by much, but that's the way baseball is."

Next up against the savvy Warriors — who defeated Northville 11-4 earlier in the day — was junior Pat MacKenzie, amid loud encouragement from teammates for "Patty Mac."

MacKenzie launched a triple that just eluded the glove of Canton senior leftfielder Nick Sweda to score Charles.

"I just told myself to get something good to hit and put it the opposite way," MacKenzie said. "I got a fast-ball outside corner and took it to left field."

That got the Warriors going. Another batter was hit by a pitch, an infield out scored

the go-ahead run and Steve Hodgins beat out a bunt. A wild pitch opened up a 3-1 edge and the final run scored on an error.

According to MacKenzie, being in those kinds of situations in the past settled down the team.

"You know what it takes," he said. "You kind of bear down deep to pull out a game like that."

The Chiefs weren't quite done, however. In the bottom of the seventh, they had the makings of a comeback following a leadoff hit by Dixon.

With two on and one out, and the tying run at the plate, Zambron pulled a Zumaya — fanning junior Kevin Delapaz and Sweda to close out the proceedings.

LOFTY PRAISE

After talking to his team, Blomshild tipped his hat to

the Warriors but also praised his squad for putting Canton baseball on the map.

Besides Stoney, Tomelinko and Sweda, players finishing their Canton career included seniors Zane Birchler, Dane Staples, Tim Hemmelgarn and Joel Schwiebert.

"They left their mark," he said. "We didn't even make it out of a district in 20 years and they did it twice, their junior and senior years."

"I think they set the stage for a lot of positive things to come."

The Chiefs knocked off Novi-Detroit Catholic Central 10-3 in Saturday's opening semifinal (behind winning pitcher Delapaz, who improved to 10-0 for the season).

Stoney launched a two-run triple and a home run while junior Cody Blakita went 2-for-3 and drove in a pair.

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Grand opening

Staffers at My Day Spa in Canton hosted a ribbon-cutting May 28 to announce their grand opening. My Day Spa is located at 4101 Canton Center Road in Canton. Attending this event were employees, township officials, chamber members and local residents.

Pizza giveaway

Toarmina's Pizza will celebrate its 22nd anniversary by offering \$22,000 worth of pizza through June 25. The chain, which opened in Westland in June 1987, announced last week that it would be giving away three free sides with every purchase at participating Metro-Detroit locations this month. Now they are making it known that over the next three weeks they will be offering customers \$22,000 in absolutely free pizza. Toarmina's Pizza will be calling as many as 900 customers a day from Monday through Thursday for the next three weeks to let them know that they have been picked to win a free 12-inch pizza. Pizza lovers should make sure they answer their phone this month. Find the location nearest you by calling (888) 24DELIVER or by visiting toarminas.com

Technology award

Midwest Technology Leaders presented two awards at its fifth annual symposium held at the MGM Grand in Detroit June 3. Both awards honored companies and



Ficano

Ficano was honored for the development of Wayne County's Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program (MFPP) and its Web site, www.FightMortgageForeclosure.com

Nursing program

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing projects that nursing will be the fastest growing job market in the nation through 2012, and the country will face a shortage of half a million nurses by the year 2020. Responding to this growing career track and helping to fight the shortage, ITT Tech in Canton now offers a new associate degree program in nursing - helping graduates prepare to become licensed RNs. ITT Tech in Canton has scheduled informa-

individuals who have made a commitment to furthering the regions technology industry. Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano was honored with one of three 2009 Corporate Commitment to Michigan (2CMICHIGAN) Award.

tional seminars during the coming weeks for anyone interested in pursuing the nursing program. The next seminars are scheduled for June 16 from 2-3 p.m.; June 18 from 10-11 a.m.; June 23 from 10-11 a.m.; and June 25 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at 1905 S. Haggerty Road, Canton.

Helping MDA

Defying typical nonprofit fund-raising across the United States this year, Lowe's is at the top of a long list of retail and restaurant partners to report a record-breaking \$18 million in Shamrocks Against Dystrophy sales. At the conclusion of the 26th annual Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Shamrocks Against Dystrophy campaign, Lowe's reported \$4.3 million in sales, nearly doubling the previous record of \$2.3 million raised by one retail grocery two years ago. The \$1 and \$5 Shamrocks donations have now raised more than \$200 million for Jerry's Kids. "We want to thank our loyal customers for their tremendous support and are extremely proud of our Lowe's team that got behind this effort 100 percent," said Susan Gooch, store manager of Lowe's of Canton.

Mutual funds need research, but have some advantages

The stock market has improved and things look a lot better for investors than they did just a few months ago. That does not mean the financial crisis is behind us but looking at investment statements is certainly easier than it was a few months ago.

That said, many investors who bailed out of the stock market are now looking to jumping back in.



Money Matters
Rick Bloom

When it comes to getting back into the market, my advice is to focus on individual goals and objectives as opposed to what is happening currently in the market.

If you decide to re-enter the market, one of the first decisions to make is what investment vehicle is best in today's environment. Investors have a lot of alternatives - stocks, exchange traded funds, mutual funds, variable annuities and hedge funds as well as others.

One thing investors should have learned from the financial crisis is the importance of understanding an investment and the risks. I believe it is best to keep things simple and understandable. When investors get involved with products they don't understand and are so complex that even the people selling them don't understand them, it's best to stay away. I believe (and I've been saying it for over two decades) the investment alternative of choice for the majority of investors should be mutual funds.

There is a wealth of independent information available about mutual funds. Whether using the services of a professional adviser or on your own, do the research. Even though I like mutual funds, too many are packed with outrageous fees and have sub-par performances.

Mutual funds are highly regulated and the regulations are geared to protect investors. Certain investments such as

hedge funds or private equity deals do not have regulatory oversight which can lead to problems. All mutual funds play by the same set of rules.

One advantage of mutual funds is when you decide to redeem your shares, the company must, by law, close your account and liquidate to cash. Many investors found that during this financial crisis they could not liquidate. Others who invested in such things as variable annuities discovered that they would have to pay high fees to close out their accounts.

Mutual funds provide an easy way to invest. Unlike some investments that require substantial amounts of money, mutual funds generally have low minimums. In fact, there are some mutual funds that have no minimums as long as you establish an automatic investment program.

Another benefit of mutual funds is all dividends and capital gain distributions can be reinvested. Unlike an individual stock, where a dividend check is deposited and spent, mutual funds allow you to reinvest distributions, allowing your money to grow faster.

Mutual funds are not as sexy as hedge funds or even individual stocks. However, the goal is to be successful.

In selecting a mutual fund, don't just look at the top performer over the last year, look at a fund that has had a solid long-term track record and stable management. Investors who invest in what's hot now generally find that they get in too late. It's much better to have a mutual fund that has a management team with a solid long-term track record.

If you choose to get back into the market remember the first thing we all learned about investing - buy low and sell high.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com.



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Rayed Abdulkarim presents a selection of savory pies: spinach with feta cheese, halah pepperoni, spinach, mozzarella, chicken curry and wheat naan. Canton Center Bakery will be at the Taste of Canton at the Liberty Festival.

Bakery takes advantage of Canton's diversity

Observer: Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature.

Canton Center Bakery: Our bakery offers a variety of baked goods and products: pepperoni rolls, ground-beef pockets, spinach pockets, falafel sandwiches. We can also provide catering services for a variety of events such as bridal or baby showers, graduation parties, lunches, picnics, etc.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Canton Center Bakery: Our products are truly health and delicious, baked fresh daily. We can cater to your own tastes.

Observer: How did you first decide to open your own business?

Canton Center Bakery: I decided when my previous employer cut jobs at my plant and I was one of the ones let go. I decided to open up a bakery because I always had a joy for cooking and baking, so I decided to give it a try.

Observer: How did you decide to locate in the Canton community?

Canton Center Bakery: We visited the area and felt that Canton, with its diversity, could appreciate this type of bakery.

CANTON CENTER BAKERY

- **Business name:** Canton Center Bakery
- **Business address:** 6110 Canton Center Road, Canton
- **Your name and title:** Rayed Abdulkarim, co-owner and manager
- **Your hometown:** Dearborn
- **Business opened when?** April 2008
- **Your business specialty:** Mediterranean and Middle Eastern Food
- **Hours of operation:** Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Business Phone:** (734) 454-1450

Observer: Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?

Canton Center Bakery: Although it's hard work, it's very rewarding when I see how pleased our customers are. I learned that a business in some ways is like dough: You have to be patient, and great results will follow.

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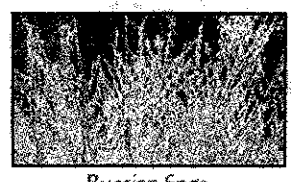
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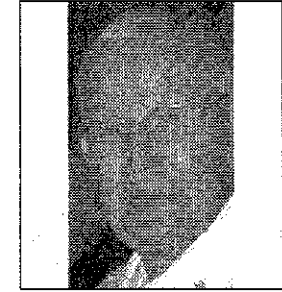
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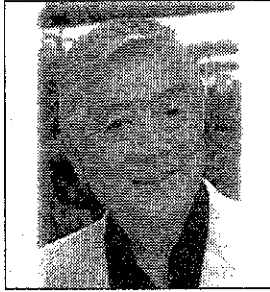
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FRANK B. HOLOWICKI

Of Fort Myers, Florida (formerly of Plymouth, Michigan) went to be with the Lord on June 6th, 2009 at the age of 83. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Jenny Holowicki; daughters Christine Holowicki (Warren Hecht) and Andrea Hug (Gerry); sons Frank Holowicki, Jr. and Paul Holowicki; two loving grandchildren, Emily and Kara. Frank was one of nine children, five brothers and two sisters. Frank was a U.S. Navy navigator in the South Pacific during WWII, retired City of Detroit police detective, and a retired Ford Motor Co. investigator. He also received a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University. Frank was an avid golfer, umpire, referee and story teller. Memorial service will be held in Fort Myers, Florida at St. Columbkille Catholic Church, (239) 489-3973. An additional Memorial service will be held in Ann Arbor, Michigan at St. Thomas Apostle Catholic Church, (734) 761-8606, on June 19th, at 10:30 a.m. with a luncheon to follow. Call the churches for details. Memorial contributions can be made to American Diabetes Association.

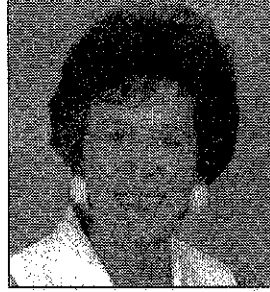


JOSEPH INATOME

Age 84, June 6, 2009. Died Saturday at his residence in Estero Fl. He was born June 3, 1925 in San Francisco, CA. Retired as an engineer and Founder of Inacomp, Found of Computer City and was a Chairman of American Speedy/Allegra. He was a member of the Engineering Society of Detroit. Mr. Inatome was a Veteran of the U.S. Army Military Intelligence having served during WW II and received the American Campaign Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal. He earned an Engineering Degree from Wayne State University. Hobbies included Chess and Computers. He is survived by his loving wife Atsuko. Children Rick (Joyce) Inatome, J.C. Inatome. Proud Grandfather of Dania (Winston Justice), Evan, Blake, Jaron, Jesse (Angie) Griffith and Tyler Cole. Great-grandfather of Selah Justice. Predeceased by his daughter Lisa Inatome, parents Masakichi and Masa Inatome, sister Etsako Kim and brother Masahiro Inatome. Funeral Service 12 Noon Friday June 12, 2009 at the A.H.Peters Funeral Home 32000 Schoenherr at Masonic (1 1/2 Mile Rd) Warren with Pastor Doug Olsen Officiating. Military Honors will follow. Visitation at the Funeral Home Thursday from 3pm until 9pm. www.ahpeters.com

FREDERICK CARL JANZ

Age 89, died Friday, May 29, 2009. He was born on April 30, 1920 in Lansing, MI. A Certified Public Accountant, Frederick was a founding partner of Janz & Knight. He received a Bachelor's degree from Michigan State University. Frederick was Treasurer and Director of the Birmingham Community House from 1976-1977. Frederick was active at Kirk in the Hills as Treasurer and Trustee from 1980-1989. He was also the co-founder and officer of the Garden Guild at Kirk in the Hills from 1976-2002. Frederick co-founded, directed, and was an officer for both the Bloomfield Hills Baseball League as well as the Boosters Club. He directed the Wabek Pines Condominium Association for 16 years, where he was President for seven years. With his wife Lorraine, he co-chaired the Bloomfield Hills Recreation Community Education Commission in 1975. He is predeceased by a son, Richard Janz. Frederick is survived by his wife Lorraine Copeiland Janz of Bloomfield Hills, MI. Surviving children are: Michael Janz of Plymouth, MI; William Janz of Oceanide, CA; Carol Janz of Longmont, CO; and Linda Janz Faison of Oldsmar, FL, along with 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. A memorial service will be held at Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills at 11:00 am on Saturday, June 13, 2009. Memorial tributes may be made to Leader Dogs as well as Kirk in the Hills Garden Guild. Arrangements made by the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. - Mount Clemens.



CAROLINE AGLIA KAPTUR

Of Pinehurst, NC died peacefully at her home on June 5. Mrs. Kaptur was born on Jan. 9, 1931 in Dayton, OH, to the late Harry Herman and Hedwig Pauline Weaver. She received a B.A. in psychology in 1976 and diplomas in nursing in 1967 and anesthesia in 1973. She practiced anesthesia for 22 years in North Carolina. She was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Vincent Daniel Kaptur, II in 1996. Her greatest pride and joy were her four children and her four grandchildren. She loved to sing in the choir, sew, grow flowers, and cook for her family and friends. Her children and grandchildren meant more to her than life itself. Mrs. Kaptur is survived by her daughters: Terese Ann Kaptur of Ft. Collins, CO., Dr. Paulina Eve Kaptur of Germantown, MD., and Nicolette Marie Kaptur of Birmingham, MI., and her son Vincent Daniel Kaptur, III and his wife Lisa of Bloomfield Hills, MI. Her grandchildren are: Nicole Windsor Ross, Scott Harrison Kaptur, Lauren Allegra Houlik, and Vincent Daniel Kaptur, IV. In lieu of flowers, memorials be made to First Health Hospice of Pinehurst. Online condolences may be made at: www.bolesfuneralhome.com

Crafts, games make Bible lessons fun

BY SHARON DARGAY
 O&E STAFF WRITER

Sarah Sutphin isn't sure why "kids come out of the woodwork" to attend Clarenceville United Methodist Church's annual Vacation Bible School in Livonia every June.

"It could be because the parents went to Vacation Bible School when they were young or maybe they need a couple of hours away from their kids. Our program is free and that might be part of it, too," said Sutphin, director of youth ministry for the church.

Kelly Salter of Bell Creek Community Church in Livonia also welcomes kids. The church, which meets for Sunday service at Franklin High School, began holding Vacation Bible School in 2004, a year after it was founded. Summer attendance has been steady over the past few years, drawing about 100 kids to the four-day program.

"I know that when things are tough in life, like these economic times, people look for hope. And hearing the truth about Jesus Christ and watching kids engage with other kids and learn meaningful lessons can bring hope to their lives," Salter said. "We, as a church, get excited to see kids getting excited about Jesus."

The church has always held the program in various locations, starting with Corrado Park in Westland, then Wilson Barn in Livonia and now McKinley Elementary, at 9101 Hillcrest, Livonia. About 40 percent of its students are "visitors" who do not regularly attend Bell Creek.

More than half of the Vacation Bible School students at Clarenceville last year weren't church members.

The Clarenceville program runs 6-9 p.m. June 22-25 at the church, 20300 Middlebelt, just south of Eight Mile.

Bell Creek will run from

9:30-11:30 a.m. July 20-23 at McKinley School.

Sign up for the Clarenceville program by calling Sutphin at (248) 474-3444. Sign up for the Bell Creek program at www.bellcreek.org or by calling (734) 425-1174.

A sampling of other Vacation Bible School sessions:

■ Covenant Community Church, 25800 Student St., at Five Mile, Redford Township, holds free Vacation Bible School for children, age 4 through sixth grade, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., June 22-26. (313) 535-3100

■ Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia, holds "Gadget's Garage," (God's Always Doing Great, Exciting Things) 9 a.m. to noon, June 22-26 for children, age 3 through fifth grade. Register online at www.christsaviors.org by clicking on the events page. (734) 513-8413

■ St. Aidan Catholic Church on Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia, offers the Crocodile Dock program, 9 a.m. to noon, June 15-19. Cost is \$25 per child, with a family discount available. For more information, call Jackie at (734) 425-9333.

■ New Hope Church and Friendship Church of Canton team to offer the Crocodile Dock program, for children, age 3 to fifth grade, from 6-9 p.m. July 19-23, at Crosswinds Church, 46788 Cherry Hill, Canton. Register for the free program online at www.newhopechurchcanton.org or www.cantonfriendship.org. Click on links to Vacation Bible School. E-mail to sue.norton.08@gmail.com for information.

■ St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth, offers an "In the Garden" theme Vacation Bible School for age 3 through fifth grade, 9:30 a.m. to noon, Monday-Thursday, July 27-30. Register online at <http://stjohnsplymouth.us/>. Call the church at (734) 453-0190.

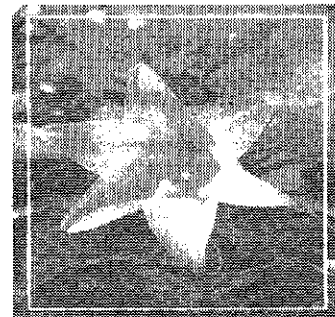
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Led Zeppelin music dazzles in rock symphony

The Music of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony returns for the sixth year in a row to dazzle concertgoers at DTE Energy Music Theatre at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20.

A stunning light show sets the stage for this presentation of Led Zeppelin's classic hits. The concert brings together a 50-piece orchestra, a full rock band, state of the art concert lighting and the legendary music of Led Zeppelin.

The Music of Led Zeppelin is two hours of 18 Led Zeppelin songs including such hits as "Stairway to Heaven" and "Black Dog." It's conducted and arranged by Brent Havens. Show producer Rob Cross originally constructed the show for the Virginia Symphony, but with its success, it has played in venues all over the United States.

In the time Led Zeppelin was together, they



Lead singer Randy Jackson (front row center), and conductor Brent Havens (back row, left), pose with other key members of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony.

helped shape the rock music of today. Led Zeppelin II (1969) immediately hit number one on Billboard's Pop Albums chart and remained there for seven weeks. In 1971, Led Zeppelin IV hit number two on Billboard's Pop Albums chart and became the band's biggest album, selling more than 16 million copies. "Stairway to Heaven," a single off the album, was an instantaneous hit, becoming the most played song in radio history.

DTE Energy Music Theatre, 7773 Pine Knob Rd., Clarkston, is off of I-75 at Sashabaw Rd. (Exit 89)

Tickets at \$32.50 pavilion and \$10 lawn may be purchased at Palacenet.com, The Palace Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations. Tickets may also be charged by phone at 1-800-745-3000.

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ART

Northville Art House: The Painted Stage Theatre Portrayed Through the Artist's Brush, (A Tipping Point collaboration) through June 20. 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.

Plymouth Art in the Park: July 10-12, Kellogg Park.

Plymouth Community Arts Council: Behind the Lens "Peace Project," through June 12, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. (734)416-4278, www.plymoutharts.com

BENEFITS

AIDS Partnership Michigan: Solstice, live jazz, wine, strolling dinner, dancing, silent auction, casual chic attire, 7 p.m. June 20, \$95, 34500 Woodward Ave., Birmingham, www.aidspartnership.org.

Detroit Opera House: BravoBravo!, 7:30 p.m. June 15, \$95, jazz sophisticated attire, www.bravobravo.org, (313) 961-3500.

Detroit Orchestra Hall: DSO fundraiser, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," 6 p.m. opening reception; 7 p.m. concert featuring DSO music director Leonard Slatkin, mezzo soprano Frederica von Stade; 8 p.m. afterparty with music, dancing; 8:30 p.m. formal dinner and strolling dinner and 10 p.m. dancing. Tickets \$250-5,000 per person. (313) 576-5082 or visit www.dsomidsummer.com. Free seating on a first-come, first-served basis for concert only to those who work for an automaker, a supplier or at a dealership. Must reserve: call 313-576-5111, www.detroitsoh.com

The Parade Co.: The Parade Company's Official VIP Rooftop Party, 6-11 p.m. June 24. Entertainment, food, games, activities for all ages, viewing of fireworks. Benefits the Michigan Thanking Garage Parade Foundation. Miller Parking Garage, 400 Renaissance Center Drive, Detroit, \$175, children six and under \$75. Tickets: (313)432-7831, www.theparade.org.

CLASSICAL/CHAMBER MUSIC

Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings: Final Concert, 8 p.m. June 20, Seilgman Center, (248) 559-2095.

www.detroitchamberwinds.org.

Oakland Brass Band: Gone Fishin', 8 p.m. June 12, Berkley High School, 2325 Catalpa, (248) 931-5169, www.oaklandbrassband.com.

CLUBS

Soundboard: Boz Scaggs, June 17; Sinbad, July 25; Melissa Etheridge, June 26; Gary Allan, Aug. 2; An Evening With Natalie Cole, Oct. 3, MotorCity Casino Hotel, Detroit, www.ticketmaster.com, www.motorcitycasino.com.

COMEDY

JD's House of Comedy: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday; 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com.

Jazz Cafe at Music Hall: Show Up, and Go Up, 9 p.m. third Thursday of every month, open call, free, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit, (313) 887-8532, www.jazzcafedetroit.com.

Joe's Comedy Club of Livonia: Joe's Summer Variety Extravaganza, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, 7:30 p.m. seating and live music. Live orchestra, stand up comedy, improv, mime, break dancing, tap dancing, belly dancing, \$5, 36071 Plymouth Road, (734) 261-0555, www.kickercomplex.com.

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle: Open Mic 8 p.m. most Wednesdays; 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com.

CONCERTS

Callahan's: Summertime blues concerts, 8 p.m. Papa Chubby/JoAnne Shaw Taylor, June 13; Duke Robillard Band, June 17; Ronnie Baker Brooks, June 18; Cedric Burnside & Lightnin' Malc & Olm, June 19; Roomful of Blues, July 12; Tinsley Ellis, July 24, 2105 South Boulevard, south of the Palace, Auburn Hills, www.atcallahans.com, 248-858-9508.

Clutch Cargo: Framing Hanley and Red, July 2, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac, (248) 645-6666.

Comerica Park: Kid Rock, July 17-18; Vans Warped Tour, July 31; 1-800-745-3000, Ticketmaster.com, www.warpedtour.com.

Detroit Institute of Arts: Friday Night Live concerts, 7 & 8:30 p.m., 5200 Woodward Ave. (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org.

DTE Energy Music Theatre: Credence Clearwater Revisited, June 12; Clay Walker, June 13; The Music of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony, June 20; The Legends of Motown, June 21; Earth, Wind & Fire and Chicago, June 24; New Kids on the Block, June 25; The Fray with Jack's Mannequin, June 27; Rock The Bells 2009 Festival, June 28; Heart, June 30, 7774 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston (248) 377-0100

Fillmore: Rise Against, June 24, 2115 Woodward, Detroit, (248) 645-6666.

Fox Theatre: Aretha Franklin, July 11, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248) 433-1515.

Magic Bag: Backyard Tire Fire, June 11; The Tennessee Three, June 19; The Lemonheads, June 21; Taylor Hicks, June 22; The Cliks, June 23; The Church, June 25; Leon Russell, June 26; Dr. John, June 27; Live The Who, July 10; The Original Wailers, Aug. 7; The Why Store, Aug. 14; 40oz. To Freedom, Aug. 16; AJA, Aug. 21, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com.

Meadow Brook Music Festival: "Regeneration Tour" with ABC, Wang Chung, Heaven 17 and Cutting Crew, June 27; Counting Crows w/Augustana, July 8; 1964 The Tribute, July 9; Comedian David Alan Grier, July 11; ABBA The Tour, July 16, 3554 Walton Blvd Rochester Hills, Ticketmaster.com, (248) 377-0100

Magic Stick: Dusty Rhodes, June 11; Volcanos, June 12; Waylon Birtchday Tribute, June 13; The Homosexuals, June 18; Propagandhi, June 19; The Detroit Cobras, June 20; The Germs, June 25; Thunderheist!, June 26; Jay Reatard, June 27; Greg Cartwright, June 28; The Present, June 29; Black Moth Super Rainbow, June 30, 4120-4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, www.majesticdetroit.com.

Majestic Theatre: Amanda Lepore, June 7; Blackenedfest featuring Mayhem, June 13; X, June 17; The Goriest/The Oblivians, June 27; Leftover Crack/Casualties, July 1, 4120-4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, www.majesticdetroit.com.

Northville Friday Night Concerts: Lady Sunshine & the X Band, June 12; Shawn Riley Band, June 19; Gia Warner, June 26; Randy Brock Band, July 3; Mass Transit Band, July 10; The Kris K Band, July 17; Soul Academy, July 24; Fifty Amp Fuse, July 31, 7-9 p.m., Town Square, (248) 349-7640,

www.northville.org.

Oakland Community College: Free summer concert series. A Little Night Music, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Highland Lakes Campus' front lawn and pavilion; student center area in case of rain. July 14, The Motor City Brass Band; July 21, Jim Dignan & Swing Shift; July 28, Partly Brothers; Aug. 4, Pamela Wise and the Latin Jazz All Stars; Aug. 11, Cats and the Fiddle; Aug. 18, Blackthorn, 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford.

Palace of Auburn Hills: Dane Cook, June 12; No Doubt w/Paramore and Bedouin Soundclash, July 3; Beyonce, July 18; Jonas Brothers w/Jordin Sparks and Honor Society, July 26; The Wiggles, Aug. 14; AC/DC, Aug. 16; Aerosmith w/ZZ Top, Sept. 16; Frank Caliendo/Bill Engvall, Oct. 24, 1 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills, (248) 645-6666 or Palacenet.com.

Royal Oak Music Theatre: Boxing VI, Night of Knockouts, June 13; Robin Trower, June 20; Sonic Youth, June 29; Reel Big Fish & The English Beat, July 3; Asher Roth and Kid Cudi live, July 18; Wilco, July 21; Fleet Foxes, Aug. 5; The Decemberists, Aug. 11, 318 W. Fourth, Royal Oak, (800) 919-6272, www.royaloakmusictheatre.com.

St. Andrew's Hall: Metric, June 15; Robin Trower, June 20, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, (248) 645-6666.

FAMILY

Bakers Keyboard Lounge: Jazz for Kids Program, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, 20510 Livernois Ave., Detroit, (313) 345-6300, www.bakerskeyboardlounge.com.

Detroit Institute of Arts: Target Family Sundays, storytelling, performances and more starting at 2 p.m. every Sunday, free with admission, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org.

Fox Theatre: Thomas & Friends Live! On Stage, A Circus Comes To Town, June 13-14, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248) 433-1515.

Marquis Theatre: "Rumplestiltskin," Aug. 8-Sept. 20; "Pinky the Flying Ghost," Oct. 17-25; "Pinochio," Nov. 14-Jan. 24, 2010, tickets, \$8.50, ages 3 and up, 135 E. Main, Northville, (248) 349-8110, www.northvillemarquistheatre.com.

See family favorite films at the Penn

The Penn Theatre offers a summer series of family movies beginning June 18 with *Stuart Little*.

The programs are sponsored by the Packaging Corporation of America, Plymouth District Library, Michigan Made & More and Community Financial Credit Union.

Shows are at 1 and 7 p.m., with the box office opening a half hour before each screening.

All seats are \$3.

Here's the line-up through August:

- June 25: *The Music Man*
- July 2: *Fly Away Home*
- July 16: *An American Tail*
- July 23: *The Shaggy Dog* (original 1959 version)

- July 30: *Annie*
- Aug. 6: *In Search of the Castaways*
- Aug. 13: *Babe*
- Aug. 20: *Apple Dumpling Gang*
- Aug. 27: *The Muppets Take Manhattan*

The Penn Theatre is located at 760 Penniman Ave., in downtown Plymouth. (734) 453-0870 www.penntheatre.com

Farmington Hills gallery features local photography

P.D. Rearick will be featured through July 9 at the Farmington Hills City Gallery located in the Costick Center at 28600 W. 11 Mile. A reception will be held 6-8:30 p.m., Friday, June 12 in the lobby of the Costick Center. The event is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served.

The exhibit features traditionally printed black and white prints presented in an untraditional format. The small prints are set in a series that float in a semi dark room, each with its own bulb to illuminate the scenes. The artist's interventions with the prints themselves are exposed through the soft halo of backlighting. Pushing the boundaries of photography and creating a unique viewing experience makes it an exhibition of intimacy and whimsy.

Never without a camera growing up, the artist received a BFA from Columbia College Chicago and has

continued in a spirit of inventiveness with every portfolio. After assisting for a company of elite architectural photographers, Hedrich Blessing, in Chicago and New Mexico, he felt compelled to apply his craft as a career.

After several self-curated shows in Albuquerque, he was accepted at the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills, where he is currently an MFA candidate in photography. Recent works have been displayed in group shows in New Mexico, Illinois, Georgia, and Michigan, and in a variety of private collections. In addition, Rearick volunteers as an intern for the Cultural Arts Division of the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services. His portfolios can be viewed at www.flickr.com/photos/pdrearick.

For more information on the exhibit or to be added to the Farmington Hills Cultural Arts contact list, call (248) 473-1856.

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This year, Rochester has a second roadside stand farmers market on Thursday evenings.

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Northville's Farmers Market features a schedule of events that includes demonstrations by chefs every third Thursday.

At Southfield's Thursday farmers market, people can shop for fresh fare during their lunch hour then enjoy it at picnic tables while listening to live entertainment.

It all makes for a fun and wholesome event that often includes activities for children and the family.

Following is a listing of area farmers markets and a sample of their offerings:

CANTON — Canton Farmers Market is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays through Oct. 25 at the historic Bartlett-Travis House, 500 N. Ridge. Vendors 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 more. (734) 398-5570, Ext. 5; www.leisure.canton-mi.org.

DETROIT EASTERN MARKET — 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays year-round. Detroit Eastern Market is the largest historic public market district in the United States. Every Saturday, Michigan's largest and most colorful market is host to more than 150 farmers and vendors from Michigan, Ohio, and Canada. 2934 Russell St., Detroit. (313) 833-9300.

FARMINGTON — The Farmington Farmers Artisans Market is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday through November at the Walter Sundquist Pavilion on Grand River, in

downtown Farmington. Seasonal fruits and vegetables, flowers, plants and artisan crafts. (248) 841-4959

GARDEN CITY — The Farmers Market in downtown Garden City is in the Garden City Town Center, northeast corner of Ford and Middlebelt, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays. A wide selection of fruits, vegetables and plants are offered. In addition, there are seminars. Bring your lawn chair for market related seminars at 10:30 a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month.

On June 10: Container Gardening is the topic sponsored by The Wild Iris Floral Boutique. (734) 422-4448

LIVONIA — The Livonia Farmers Market, operated by Friends of Wilson Barn, is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays through October at the Wilson Barn on the northeast corner of West Chicago and Middlebelt.

NORTHVILLE — The Farmers Market is 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 30 in the Northville Downs parking lot at the corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon roads.

More than 100 stalls feature fresh produce, plants and flowers. Other finds are honey, bakery goods, fine juried crafters, garden art, soaps, jewelry, furniture, woodworking and home accessories.

The schedule of events includes: Chef's at the Market, third Thursdays; Can You Dig It? second Thursdays — Master Gardener sessions; and Hot Weather

Holiday on Aug. 20, so you can start your holiday shopping season early.

Garden pot recycling returns with larger collection bin for clean pots, plug trays and flat trays. Last year, 650 pounds of plastic was collected.

Also, the Wayne County Master Gardeners will be accepting donations of fresh produce from your garden, community garden plots, or purchased at the Farmers' Market to be donated locally. (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth Farmer's Market, 736 Penniman, is 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays, May through October.

Vendors sell home-grown and/or handmade products.

Located at The Gathering, 386 S. Main Street and Penniman Avenue, between Main and Union streets. (734) 453-1540

ROYAL OAK — The Royal Oak Farmers Market, 316 E. 11 Mile, is a premier southeast Michigan market venue. Farm producers sell from an enclosed building, with ample parking, on Friday during the farm season (May through Christmas) and Saturday all year. The market is owned and operated by the City of Royal Oak. It's in the Civic Center at the corner of 11 Mile Road and Troy Street, across from the library and adjacent to the 44th District Court. Hours are: Fridays 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. (248) 246-FARM (3276)

CITY BITES

CANTON GRUB CRAWL

CANTON — Mark July 21 on your calendar for the annual Canton Chamber of Commerce Grub Crawl. Buses and vans taxi guests to more than a dozen participating restaurants, each of which offers samples of their favorite food specialties, from 6-10 p.m. Participating restaurants will include Antonio's Cucina Italiana, Applebee's, Bailey's Pub & Grille, bd's Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Chili's, Crow's Nest, 4 Friends, Max & Erma's, Rose's Restaurant, Shark Club, Shish Kabob Cafe, T.C. Gators Sport Page, and T.G.I. Fridays. For more information call (734) 453-4040.

DETROIT-WINDSOR AIR RACES

DETROIT — View the finals of the 2009 Air Race World Championship, which take place on Sunday, June 14, on the Detroit River, from atop the seven-story Beaubien Garage. The National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the Matt Prentice Restaurant Group have teamed up to offer the viewing space as a charity fund-raiser. The party will include barbecue food stations with a wide selection of food and beverages catered by the Matt Prentice Restaurant Group. The complimentary bar will include wines, beers, juices and soft drinks. A special drink station will feature Dragon Bleu Vodka. Limited outdoor seating and a family game area. Tickets are \$150 per person. Buy online at www.nationalmssociety.org/mig or call (248) 351-2190, ext. 225.

MAKE-A-WISH FUNRAISER

LIVONIA — The Make-A-Wish Foundation is partnering with Baskin-Robbins for a 'FunRaiser' to raise money for their Wish-A-Mile Bicycle Tour, a three-day, 300-mile bicycle ride from Traverse City to Chelsea. Baskin Robbins will donate \$1 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation from each ice cream cake they sell through July 25. They aim to sell 5,000 cakes, raising \$5,000 for the Wish-A-Mile.

To kick off the program, Baskin Robbins will host an event 3-9 p.m. Monday, June 8 at the Livonia location, 17138 Farmington Road. Local media and Make-A-Wish representatives will join customers to enjoy entertainment, their favorite Baskin Robbins flavor and an additional \$5-off coupon on any ice cream cake purchased that day, including pre-orders. Visit www.baskinrobbins.com.

BBQ RIB COOK OFF

NOVI — The first-ever West Oakland Rib Cook Off and Family Fest, is set for Sunday, Aug. 9 at Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave in Novi. The all day event will feature as many as fifty BBQ Rib Teams, live music, local restaurant tastings, family activities including a furry creature petting zoo, and more.

"Experience West Oakland," a committee of the Novi Chamber of Commerce, was recently granted a sanction from the Memphis Barbeque Network for their inaugural event, which will offer BBQ competitors the chance to compete for Prize Packages totaling \$10,000. A panel of 40 professional and amateur judges will determine the contest results. The Grand Prize Winner will be invited to compete in the "Memphis in May" Barbeque Network Finals, May 2010.

More information on the sanctioning body can be found at www.MBNBBQ.com

Registration information for interested contestants can be found at www.experiencewo.com

Restaurants located in Western Oakland County are invited to participate in the fun by offering samples of their most popular dishes. Exhibitors featuring cooking and barbeque related products are also welcome. For additional information about the West Oakland Rib Cook Off and Family Fest, contact Linda Daly at the Novi Chamber of Commerce, (248) 349-3743, or e-mail info@novichamber.com.

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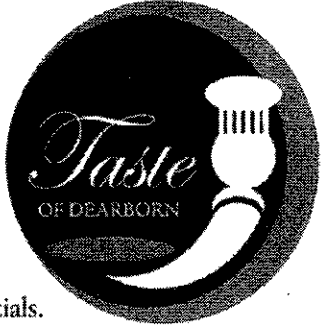
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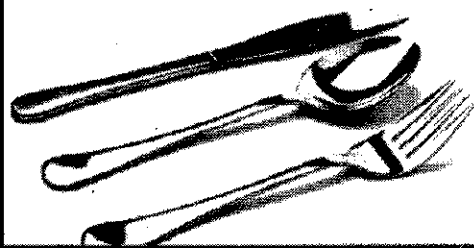
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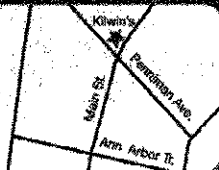
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Habitat on the grow in Westland, other towns

BY JULIE BROWN
O&E STAFF WRITER

Finding affordable housing is a concern for many these days, and what Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County works to achieve.

Alice Dent, the affiliate's executive director, is excited about the Christian housing ministry's outreach in western Wayne. The Plymouth-based affiliate is moving into Wayne and Westland this year, after opening the first Habitat-built home in 2005 in Canton and 2006 in Van Buren Township.

"It's a win-win," said Dent, who's appreciative of Westland Mayor William Wild and other city officials. Dent noted it's best for families if they live where children attend school and near to churches and other support systems forming a "comfort zone."

She described Westland as a great place to live. "I'm just so excited we're able to provide affordable housing in Westland," Dent said. "It's a beautiful city."

Mayor William Wild is equally enthused. "I think it's a real good thing," Wild said of the Habitat project. "We're excited about partnering up with them. They do a great job. They build a quality home." He was able to tour the Canton home.

Dent's working with Joanne Inglis, Westland housing and community development director. "It's very exciting," Inglis said of the Habitat project. "We're really excited to be mov-

ing in this direction."

The seven Westland homes to be built in 2009 and 2010 will be scattered around the city, Dent said. Inglis noted the '09 homes are supported by neighborhood stabilization program grants. The Westland Fire Department will use a vacant property for training.

The first city of Wayne home built with Habitat recently took place. The Westland projects grew out of a meeting Dent had with Wild in 2008. "We were inquiring about a partnership," she said. "It just blossomed from that."

"We want to provide affordable housing for the entire population," Dent said of the western Wayne homes. "It's creating a lot of enthusiasm."

Habitat staff and volunteers will work with students from the building trades program of the Wayne-Westland schools, with Dent pleased to see young people involved. "I love working with cities like Westland," Dent said. "Everybody's just so motivated. They're making it easy for us. It's good to feel wanted."

One Westland site is on Donnelly Street where one home will be demolished. The site is large enough that three new Habitat homes will go up in its place on the property off Wayne Road near Arthur.

Another Westland project is on Vincent Street in the Vincent-Newburgh area north of Michigan Avenue; that one is a rehab of an existing property. Another rehab will be on Christine in the Wayne Road-



The Apostles partner family who received a home last year, Alice Dent, executive director of the Habitat affiliate, church representatives, and a Northwest Airlines representative gather at a 2008 ground breaking. Habitat is building a number of homes in the area, including Wayne and Westland.

Glenwood area of Westland.

"I was able to walk through all these rehabs" with city staff, said Dent, who liked what she saw.

New builds for this year in Westland also include on Hanover near Inkster and Van Born and on Eton Street in the Middlebelt-Van Born area south of Annapolis. There will be a total of two new and two rehabs in 2009 in Westland, Dent said, with the three new homes on Donnelly to be done in

late 2010.

She's pleased with the seven total homes for Westland, and hopes to have work done by Thanksgiving next year of the Donnelly Westland homes. "Isn't that a beautiful blessing to say 'Thank you for my new house?'"

Volunteer needs are a ways off still for the Westland projects. You can click on "volunteer" on the affiliate's Web site at www.habitatwvc.org to check on volunteer schedules.

First-time buyers get a break

Q: I heard something about the Housing Assistance Tax Act of 2008, which is part of the larger Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. Can you briefly give me some information about it?

A: As an incentive for people to buy instead of rent homes, the Housing Act provides that a first-time homebuyer can receive a temporary tax credit equal to 10 percent of the purchase of the home up to \$7,500. (The premise is \$3,750 for married persons filing



Robert Meisner

separately), if purchased after April 9, 2008 and before July 1, 2009. This tax credit must be claimed on a 2008 or 2009 income tax return and taxpayers

cannot apply their tax credits toward their down payments. "First-time homebuyer" is anyone who has had no ownership interest in a principal residence during the three-year period immediately before the purchase of the new home. The tax credit phases out for single taxpayers with modified adjusted gross incomes (AGI) between \$75,000 and \$95,000, and married couples filing jointly with modified AGI between \$150,000 and \$175,000. There are additional modifications depending upon marital status and income. However, taxpayers who receive a credit under this provision must repay the tax credit albeit interest free. In fact, the tax credit is an interest free loan from the government. You are best advised to consult with an attorney concerning the full terms and conditions of this benefit.

Q: I am the president of a large condominium association with a professional management company and I wanted to bring your attention to a practice about which you may not be aware. We have a long-standing attorney but the management company continues to tell us that the attorney is "too expensive" without explanation and that we should consider someone else they want because he/she can do the "same work for less." They have also been somewhat critical of this attorney's work and I am wondering if you have ever experienced anything like this and what your recommendation would be?

A: If you are satisfied with the attorney that you have, you should keep him or her and, the fact that the management company is trying to look like a "hero" may either be altruistic on their part or may be a subtle or not so subtle attempt to steer you to another attorney with whom they have a closer and perhaps unsavory relationship. The fact that the management company apparently, unsolicited, is attempting to steer you to another attorney who can do "the same work" should speak for itself and you may be best advised to talk to your attorney who may have other recommendations concerning a more professional and ethical management company. Remember, hiring an attorney is not like buying the same refrigerator from one store as opposed to another.

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 bmmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

BRIEFS

Benefit

Farmington Hills-based Sweet Dreamzzz Inc. received a donation of \$3,831 from the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors on May 27.

The donation was raised at the WWOCAR annual bowling fund-raiser on May 6 at Merri-Bowl Lanes in Livonia to support Sweet Dreamzzz. The nearly \$4,000 raised will be used to educate elementary school aged children in southeast Michigan on the importance of sleep through the R.E.M. (Rest. Educate. Motivate.) Sleep Program, and to provide the at-risk children with bedtime essentials.

"We are honored to be the recipient of this year's WWOCAR fund-raiser," said Nancy Maxwell, Sweet Dreamzzz executive director.

Investors

A program on How To Buy and Sell Property Faster and More Efficiently by Implementing Systems To Save Time and Make More Money. Presented by Brad Zitzner, sponsored by Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland on Thursday, June 11, at 5:30-9:30 p.m. at MSU Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. Seminar free to members. \$20 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742. (www.REIAofOakland.com)

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Chamber kudos

Weir Manuel Realtors (WMR) announced that Lee Jaffe, team leader of the WMR Mobile Agent Center, was honored by the West Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce as the recipient of the "Excellence In Civic Leadership" award.

"Lee has tirelessly served his community for many years," said Kelly Sweeney, owner and CEO of Weir Manuel Realtors. "We are extremely proud of him. His leadership is exemplary and this honor couldn't have gone to a more deserving person."

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BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Green Built™ Michigan Building Training on Tuesday, June 16, from 9 a.m. to noon at association headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Construction and Development Services LLC presents great tips on making your homes more energy efficient, durable and environmentally sustainable. The importance of indoor air quality and low impact development will also be discussed.

The training is required for all builder members of Green Built™ Michigan. The cost is \$65 per member and \$85 for nonmembers of Green Built™ Michigan. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Advanced Green Built™ Builder Training on Tuesday, June 16, from 1-4 p.m. at association headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite

100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Construction and Development Services, LLC will present an in-depth course offering specific applicable building practices to build greener, better homes. Members of Green Built™ Michigan are strongly encouraged to attend.

The cost is \$85 per person for Green Built™ Michigan members and \$105 for nonmembers. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its Sales & Marketing Council (SMC) will present "Recession Proof Mini Boot Camp Sales Training" on Wednesday, June 24, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Dave Tear, "The Sales Coach" of Sale Coaches' Corner, will show participants how to stop letting the tough economy get them down. Participants will learn techniques to deal with the demand to lower prices, with canceled orders, with prospects' fear of spending money on products and services, and with feeling scared and/or desperate.

Registration fees are \$10 for SMC members, \$15 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$25 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Green Built™ of Southeastern Michigan Introduction to Green Building on Wednesday, July 8, from 9-10:30 a.m. at Association Offices, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt Construction discusses building with materials and methods that result in

Green Built™ certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making a positive environmental statement. This is the first in a series of five trainings.

The training is free for BIA members. For registration information, call (248) 862-1016 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will host its "Macomb County Golf Spectacular" on Thursday, July 30, at the Cherry Creek Golf Club, 52000 Cherry Creek Drive (24 Mile and Van Dyke), Shelby Township.

The complete golf package includes: 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, drink tickets, dinner, hole-in-one and other golf contests, and door prizes. There will also be a 50/50 raffle. Note that this is a "spike-less" course.

Registration and a continental breakfast begin at 9 a.m. Golf begins with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Steak dinner begins at 3 p.m.

Registration fees are \$125 for a complete golf package for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, guests and nonmembers or \$45 for dinner only.

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These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 2-6, 2009, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

City	Address	Sales Price
Auburn Hills	1323 Collier Rd	\$68,000
Beverly Hills	17300 Birchwood Ave	\$162,000
Birmingham	2676 Dorchester Rd	\$200,000
	1672 Humphrey Ave	\$150,000
	1055 N Old Woodward Ave	\$105,000
	1447 Old Salem Ct	\$580,000
	900 Puritan Ave	\$473,000
	1233 Shipman Blvd	\$300,000
	1436 Washington Blvd	\$325,000
Bloomfield Township	5799 Blandford Ct	\$160,000
	3720 Burning Tree Dr	\$315,000
	1236 Marymar Ln	\$200,000
	676 Upper Scotsborough Way	\$150,000
	310 Wadsworth Ln	\$210,000
	190 Woodedge Dr	\$158,000
Clarkston	9570 Cornell Ave	\$30,000
	6928 Oakhurst Ridge Rd	\$365,000
	5457 Old Cove Rd	\$134,000
	4860 Pine Knob Ln	\$170,000

City	Address	Sales Price
Commerce Township	2841 Augusta Dr	\$225,000
	4824 Trilwood Dr	\$258,000
Farmington	34296 Conroy Ct	\$175,000
	32718 Grand River Ave	\$49,000
Farmington Hills	22538 Colgate St	\$20,000
	21205 Prestwick	\$300,000
	24746 Springbrook Dr	\$208,000
	32013 W 12 Mile Rd	\$15,000
	29915 W 13 Mile Rd	\$167,000
Lathrup Village	18880 Lincoln Dr	\$37,000
Milford	2215 Lone Tree Rd	\$230,000
Northville	1218 Charleston Ct	\$115,000
	292 Ely Road	\$187,000
	943 Whitegate Dr	\$315,000
Novi	30762 Ardmore Ct	\$102,000
	22264 Chase Dr	\$375,000
	1300 E Lake Dr	\$302,000
	40492 Gullford	\$202,000
	24291 Newberry Dr	\$205,000
Oxford	1960 W Draher Rd	\$450,000
Rochester Hills	1175 Chaffer Dr	\$265,000
	2826 Culbertson Ave	\$155,000
	1449 Galena	\$140,000
	1848 Homestead Ct	\$290,000

City	Address	Sales Price
	946 Maidstone Dr	\$277,000
	3087 Primrose Dr	\$190,000
	3463 Talbert Cir	\$53,000
South Lyon	6116 Greenwood Dr	\$70,000
Southfield	17331 Avilla Blvd	\$51,000
	15560 Mount Vernon St	\$23,000
Troy	6408 Canmoor Dr	\$240,000
	4914 Flower Hill Dr	\$450,000
	2258 Hempstead Dr	\$101,000
	1592 Lakewood Dr	\$156,000
	6830 Limerick Ln	\$215,000
	2511 Tarragona Way	\$225,000
Walled Lake	21205 Alexa Dr	\$165,000
	25203 Chesapeake Cir.	\$111,000
	289 Inlet Ct	\$40,000
Waterford	4681 Chipman Dr	\$172,000
	3491 Coseburn Rd	\$176,000
	6214 Grace K Dr	\$105,000
	4719 Kempf St	\$135,000
	341 Lake Forest Dr	\$128,000
West Bloomfield	6365 Country Shire Ln	\$270,000
	5293 Green Rd	\$262,000
	3925 Lone Pine Rd	\$35,000
	5167 Patrick Rd	\$170,000
	3182 Rutledge Park Ct	\$160,000
Wolverine Lake	3200 Goldeneye Ln	\$90,000

HOMES SOLD-WAYNE

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 23-27, 2009, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

City	Address	Sales Price
Canton	48100 Deer Trail Dr	\$285,000
	47472 Scenic Circle Dr S	\$177,000
	6711 Shana St	\$163,000
	47428 Stoneridge Blvd	\$232,000
Garden City	28551 Alvin St	\$98,000
Livonia	20040 Hubbard St	\$192,000
	35415 Leon St	\$140,000
	17539 Rexwood St	\$108,000
Northville	15397 Bay Hill Dr	\$377,000
	19850 Irongate Ct	\$118,000
	50604 Livingston Ct	\$335,000
	18283 Parkshore Dr	\$488,000
Plymouth	48007 Colony Farms Cir	\$170,000
	42547 Plymouth Hollow Dr	\$40,000
	9441 Southworth Ave	\$177,000
Westland	37227 Booth St	\$95,000
	31238 Cooley Blvd	\$83,000
	34218 Frances St	\$75,000
	7369 Manor Cir	\$55,000
	8463 N Middlebelt Rd	\$20,000
	146 S Hanlon St	\$68,000

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ACROSS

- 1 British sailor.
- 6 Forsakes
- 11 Breathed hard
- 12 "I, Robot" writer
- 14 Gazes at
- 15 Expensive fur
- 17 "Hear—!"
- 18 Dine
- 19 CEO degree
- 20 4-wheel drive feature
- 21 Chooses
- 23 Estuary
- 24 Hires a lawyer
- 25 Body of water
- 27 Seaweed
- 28 Computer dept.
- 30 Startled cries
- 31 Tiger Woods' grp.
- 32 Chicago Cubs org.
- 33 Hair-raising
- 35 Larger — life
- 36 A fuel
- 37 Instant lawn
- 38 Temporary jobs

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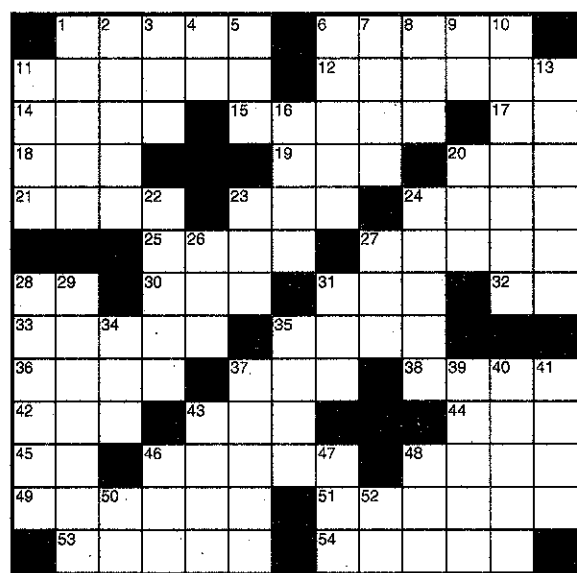
- 42 Formic acid producer
- 43 Youngster
- 44 Loophole
- 45 Ann Arbor loc.
- 46 Chocolate substitute
- 48 Elbow opposite
- 49 Folks
- 51 "I" trouble?
- 53 Rough cabin
- 54 Sagas
- 1 Hoops shot (hyph.)
- 2 Klutzy
- 3 Alps, for short
- 4 Wide shoe
- 5 Fabric meas.
- 6 "Star Wars" gangster
- 7 Cuba, to Castro
- 8 Tell a fib
- 9 New Age practice
- 10 Tofu source
- 11 Tijuana dollar

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 13 Bowl or ship
- 16 Among
- 20 Summer mo.
- 22 Become unfit for use
- 23 Hosp. workers
- 24 Informal speech
- 26 IOU part
- 27 Turkish potentate
- 28 Leave hastily
- 29 Shaggy flowers
- 31 Prof's degree
- 34 Informer
- 35 Upstart (hyph.)
- 37 Mr. Spock's father
- 39 Column order
- 40 Speculate
- 41 Mushroom part
- 43 Face-powder base
- 46 1040 pro
- 47 Speller's competition
- 48 Colorful carp
- 50 Fun house cry
- 52 AMA member

SUDOKU

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- WALK

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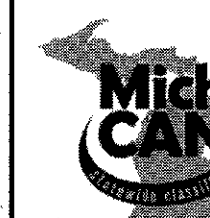
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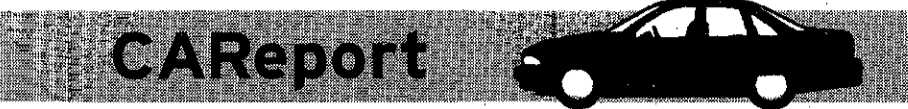
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General Motors Is Still Good at Going Green

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By Dale Buss

As it adjusts to its new ownership structure, General Motors continues to leverage its residual technological prowess and industrial might in an effort to leapfrog rivals to the forefront of green-vehicle deployment worldwide.

Having fielded several new conventional hybrids, for example, GM is attempting to establish the pole position in plug-in hybrids with the upcoming Chevrolet Volt. The company hopes to salvage its investment in ethanol powertrains largely through its ties with two leaders in cellulosic-ethanol development.

And while GM continues a global experimentation with hydrogen fuel cells, for the very long term, it also is redoubling its push behind "old-fashioned" green techniques such as aerodynamic design.

The 2011 Volt, based on a power pack made by LG Chem of South Korea, is supposed to catapult GM back to global pre-eminence in green technology as its lithium-ion batteries sustain a 40-mile electric-only range. It has been repeatedly pointed out by Obama administration officials as the kind of car that automakers "should" be manufacturing because of its environmental credentials.

Meanwhile, GM also has been stepping up its efforts to squeeze more mileage out of existing vehicles. It has hybridized much of its fleet, ranging from the Chevrolet Malibu to "two-mode" versions

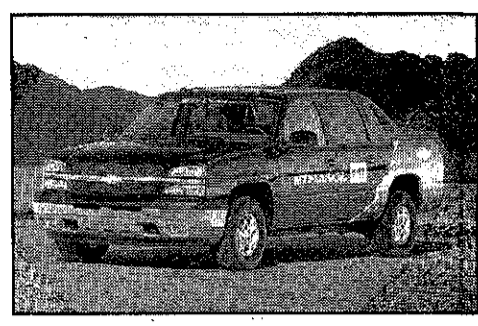
of its large SUVs and trucks that provide a power boost as much as extra mileage. By 2012, it plans to have a total of 15 hybrid models on the roads.

Even conventional powertrains are getting reworked. During the height of the gas-price spike last year, Chevrolet already was proud to boast a half-dozen vehicles that achieved at least 30 mpg on the highway. The new Chevrolet Equinox crossover gets 32 mpg on the highway, and the new compact Cruze should post mileage in the high 30s or low 40s.

And for 2010, GM plans to have 18 North American models that feature direct-injection technology, which consumes less fuel, generates more power and produces fewer emissions than otherwise. The models include the all-new, five-passenger GMC Terrain as well as the Buick LaCrosse, Chevy Camaro and redesigned Cadillac SRX.

GM also continues to strive for incremental fuel-efficiency gains in other areas, such as reducing weight, optimizing the integration of various vehicle systems, and improving aerodynamics.

"We're trying to do a better job of making components work together within the system so that we can reduce parasitic loads on the vehicle to take advantage of the energy that we have," explained Charles Klein, GM's director of global energy, mass and aerodynamics. Aerodynamics also is offering renewed



Chevrolet Avalanche powered by ethanol, an important part of GM's green future.



GM has grabbed the industry's top spot in powerful hybrids like this 2009 Yukon Denali.

opportunity. True, it's a musty term from the Seventies. But now the circumstances, and expectations, have changed. So GM is hauling back out its focus on aerodynamics. Klein said GM now believes that it can achieve "significant improvement" again in the .3 to .36 coefficient of drag that most of the industry's sedans now carry.

One area of most opportunity, he said, is vehicle underbodies. Using a technique called Computational Fluid Dynamics, Klein explained, GM has been able to identify new areas to minimize drag, for example, on the closeout panel beneath the front fascia. And hybrid vehicles often allow a reduction in the size of the grille opening, which also cuts drag.

Hydrogen fuel cells are another area where GM's internationalization is paying benefits. GM still believes that this technology will provide the best long-term solution for reducing emissions and cutting petroleum dependency, and it has invested more than \$1 billion to date in fuel-cell R&D. Nowadays, GM is testing 100 fuel-cell powered Chevrolet Equinox units around the world to gauge performance and customer experience.

And it has launched a demonstration program with Shanghai Automotive Industry Corp., adapting the Equinox system for 10 Shanghai brand vehicles.

GM also is studying the feasibility of non-food-based biofuels in China. The country already is the world's third-largest ethanol producer, behind the U.S. and Brazil, getting most of the fuel from wood waste, energy crops and other cellulosic sources gathered from marginal lands.

But for the most part, for GM, ethanol power is an American-based opportunity — and challenge. Attempting to recreate the success that former GM CEO Rick Wagoner and executive colleagues had in turning Brazil into a strong ethanol market from sugar cane, GM has spent the last decade establishing corporate predominance in vehicles that operate on corn-based ethanol in the United States.

Already, for the 2009 model year, GM sells 20 models that are E-85-capable in the U.S. and Canada and has pledged to make half of its production vehicles flex-fuel-capable by 2012. And it has about five million flex-fuel vehicles on the road in North America, Europe and Brazil.

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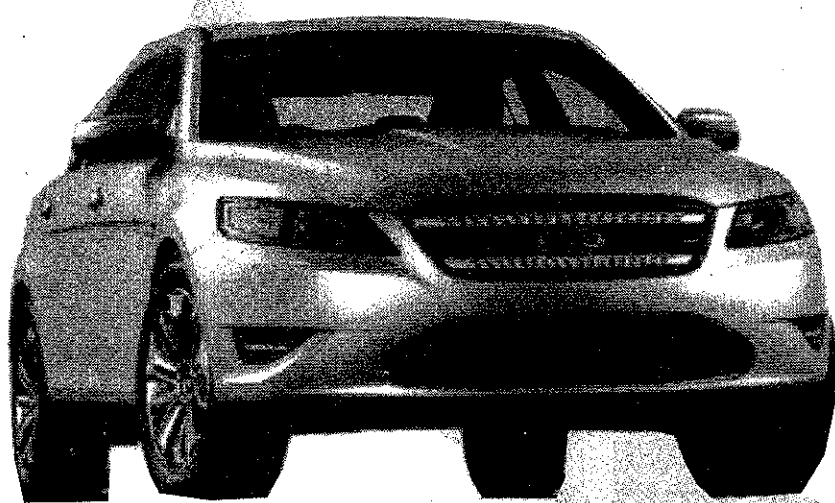
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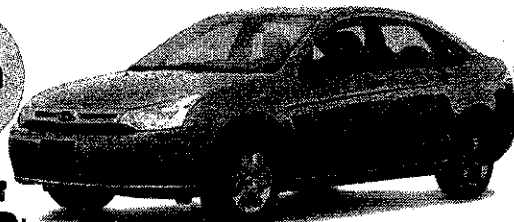
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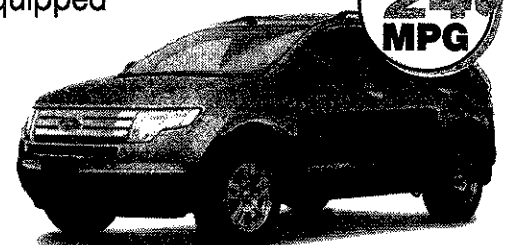
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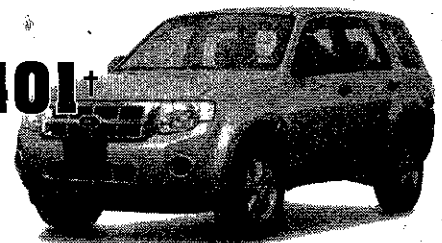


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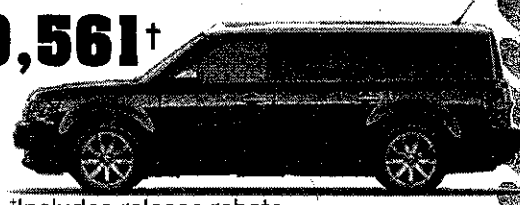


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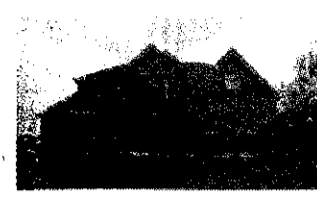
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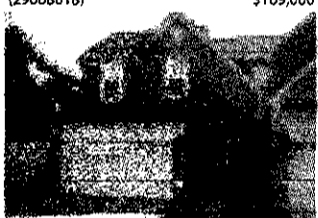
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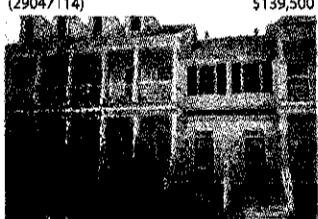
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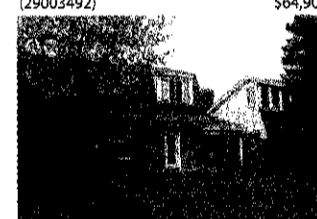
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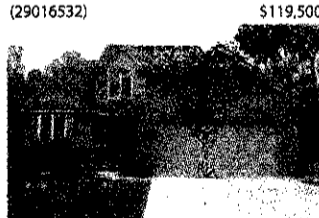
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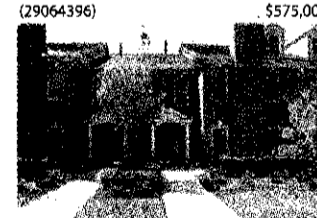
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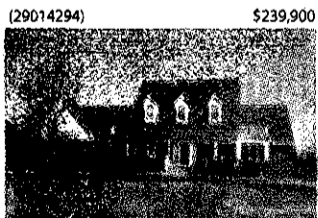
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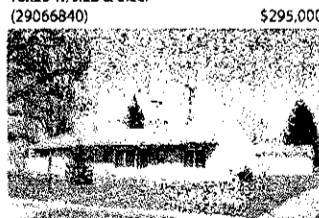
Salem 734-455-7000
GORGEOUS SECLUDED ESTATE!! Fabulous Cape Cod on Nature's finest 3.5 acres. High-end custom builder's personal home filled with quality and attention to detail. The best of everything!!!
(26001079) \$749,900



Wayne 734-284-5400
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, lrg deck, C/A.
(29048440) \$130,000



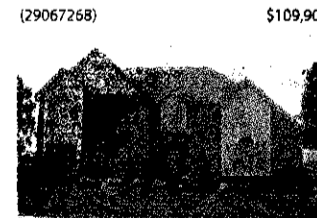
Commerce Twp 248-348-6430
This Home is An Entertainer's Delight! Beautiful Cape Cod on 1.5 acres. 1st FLR MSTR suite. Oak KIT w/HDWD FLR & LG Island. Fin'd LL walkout w/ bar & game area. Gorgeous views of wooded state land.
(29032379) \$417,900



Livonia 734-591-9200
Beaut & Sunny open floor plan ranch. 4 BR 2 Full BAs. Newer vinyl wind, furn, C/A and roof. Updtd kit w/pergo flrs, farm rm w/4 season sun rm. 2 car side entry gar w/work area. Walk dist to playground & daycare
(29063120) \$119,900



Northville 248-348-6430
Welcome Home! From The Grand Front Entry to the eat-in kitchen with granite, maple cabinets, island & bar. Stamped concrete deck & wooded lot. Mstr ste w/sep shower, spa tub, 2 sink areas. LL w/bath.
(29065397) \$400,000



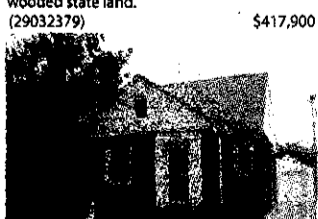
Plymouth 248-348-6430
Home features a kit w/cherry cabs, granite & island. FR w/ipl, DR w/butler's pantry, Lib w/french drs, mstr ste w/deep spa, DBL WIC, LL w/wet bar & ample storage. Cedar deck & prof landscaped.
(28085400) \$435,000



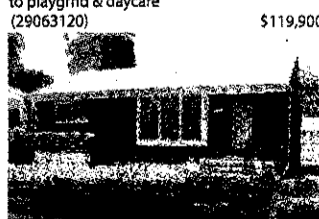
Salem 248-437-3800
Charming Farmhouse Lots of class put into this charming farmhouse in quaint downtown Salem. Inviting front porch and large yard. Huge kitchen with lots of natural light.
(28185861) \$99,999



Westland 734-284-5400
ROOMY 3 BEDROOM COLONIAL Large LR w/ formal DR. Modern kitchen & dinette. FR w/ gas FP & cathedral ceiling. 2 doorwalls leading to 2 tiered deck. Skylights in Master. Part fin basement.
(29056702) \$134,900



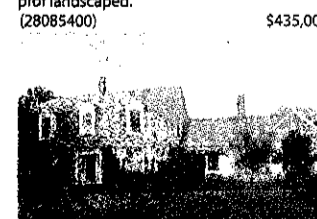
Dearborn 734-591-9200
A Must See-Completely renovated bungalow! Updts include wind, roof, driveway, gar siding, plumb/elect. Refin hrd/wd flrs, new kit cabs w granite tops, recess lighting, stainless steel appliance. Clean bsmt 1/2 carpet
(29062745) \$119,900



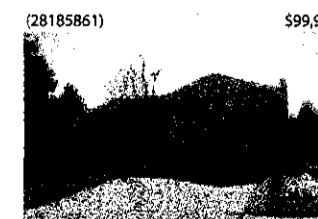
Madison Heights 248-348-6430
Impacably Maintained 3 Bed 2 Bath Ranch Desirable area w/Lampshire Schools. Roof 3 yrs old, furnace 5 yrs. New Thermal windows, find basement has 2nd kit & cedar closet. Workshop exterior maint free.
(29069511) \$115,900



Northville 248-348-6430
This Is The Deal Of Northville. 48 Ranch Even the white picket fence. Updtd kit w/oak cabs. Pergo, carpet, appls, windows, AC, generator new! Fin w/o w/FR & nat frpic. Walk to school. 1 yr warranty.
(29069745) \$199,900



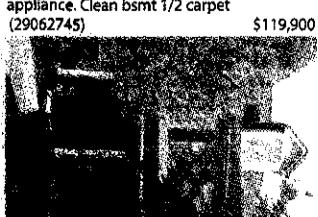
Plymouth 734-455-7000
LUCKY YOU!... There's a Plymouth Beacon Estates Colonial just listed n likely to knock your sox off 3000 sq ft deliciously updated on superb lot! Be looking for you!
(29061823) \$410,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Don't Miss This Beautiful Ranch Home! Home features living rm w/lrg front window, family rm w/FP, hardwood flooring and door wall leading to deck, kitchen and dining area w/bay window. On lrg lot.
(29051162) \$169,900



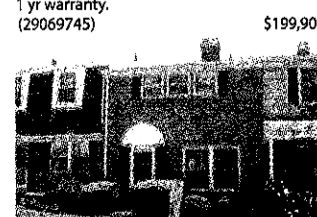
Westland 248-851-1900
REDUCED! MOVE-IN READY. LIVONIA SCHOOLS Updated. Freshly painted, newer carpet, newer oak kitchen cabinets w/all appl included. Large bedrooms. Newer vinyl windows. Finished bsmt. 1 car garage. Well located.
(29037903) \$59,900



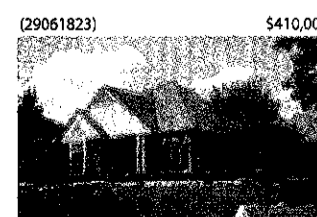
Genoa Twp 734-455-7000
CONDO LIVING AT ITS FINEST! 2 BR/2BA condo, open floor plan, ample storage, neutral decor. Cozy up to the FPI Deck. Perfect location in complex w/scenic view. Also for lease w/option to buy!
(29009524) \$100,000



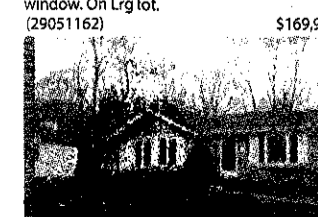
Milford 248-684-1065
Shows like a model! On 3 park-like acres w/ pond & fountain. Upgrades galore! Granite kit, SS appl, maple flrs, formal DR, lib 2/FP, MBR, fin LL w/o, patio.
(29039728) \$539,900



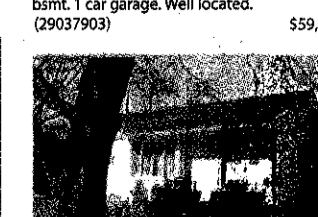
Northville 248-348-6430
Sharp, Clean, Three Bedroom Condo FP in family/dining rm. Access to I-275 & dwtwn Northville. Assoc. includes: gas, water/ sewer, ext. insur, maintenance, pool, tennis, & clubhouse!
(29068205) \$112,000



Plymouth 734-591-9200
Spacious Ranch in Deer Creek Very Open Fr Plan. Lg kit & BFT rm; all kit appls stay; Grt Rm w/FP & D/W o lrg deck. Mstr BR w/BA has roll-in shower. Home has handicap access w/ramp from gar to bsmt.
(29052849) \$279,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Just Listed... Take A Closer Look! This house is perfection plus! Enjoy total privacy in back yard w/heated pool & backing to a park-nature setting. Many updates. Finished bsmt w/bar. A MUST SEE!
(29020244) \$135,000



Wolverine Lake 734-455-7000
REDUCED! MOVE-IN READY. LIVONIA SCHOOLS Updated. Freshly painted, newer carpet, newer oak kitchen cabinets w/all appl included. Large bedrooms. Newer vinyl windows. Finished bsmt. 1 car garage. Well located.
(29036037) \$129,900