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Library board

A special meeting of the Canton Public Library Board of Trustees has been scheduled for today (Thursday), Sept. 3 at 7:30 p.m. to study the proposed 2010 budget.

The public is encouraged to attend. A public hearing on the proposed budget, and the property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget, will be the subject of a hearing at a meeting scheduled for Sept. 17, at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, call (734) 397-0999.

Study Group

The Canton Youth Celebration Orchestra will offer a season preview as a kickoff of the Plymouth Study Group's fall 2009 Thursday morning meetings.



Washburn

Orchestra members, plus presenters Beth Stewart and Nan Washburn, will appear at the Study Group's

first meeting, 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 744 North Sheldon, south of M-14, in Plymouth.

The Study Group is welcoming new members; the cost is \$20 for the entire series of 10 fall meetings. Those interested are welcome to visit a meeting as they decide whether to join. Thursday meetings are 10 a.m. to noon; refreshments are served.

The Thursday, Sept. 17, speaker will be Olympic gold-medal swimmer Sheila Taormina. For more information about the group, call Connie Griffone at (248) 477-7049, or Karen Chapin at (734) 453-4765.

Air show

The Flying Pilgrims Radio Control Club hosts its "Fall Phase Out for Fun" air show to demonstrate the radio controlled airplane hobby to the general public.

The event, which has become a popular annual happening, takes place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 12-13 at the northwest corner of Geddes and Ridge roads. To get there, go north on Ridge to the "Flying Pilgrims Trail" sign.

Admission is \$5 vehicle parking donation requested. (Admits all occupants in vehicle.) The field is open to the public whenever members are flying. For more information, call (734) 207-3626.



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It's not just a matter of handing out food. Someone has to deal with lots of cardboard. Jackie Darr breaks down boxes.

Still 'Open'

Food bank flourishes while fixing faults

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Canton food bank serving hundreds of families has fixed dozens of building and fire code problems that earlier raised fears the facility could be shut down.

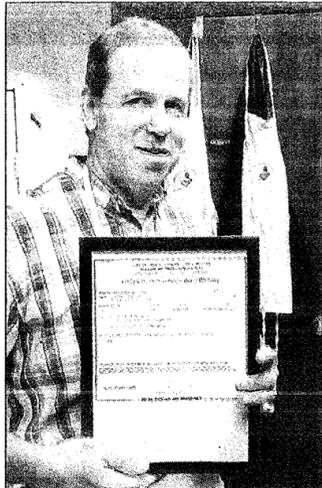
Township officials flatly rejected rumors last spring they intended to close Open Door Ministry, which last Thursday alone provided food for 1,200 people in 356 families.

Instead, local officials helped guide Open Door through a laundry list of code violations that ministry leaders and volunteers have addressed, allowing them to get a new certificate of occupancy.

"We worked with them very heavily from our end to try to find some solutions, and it has been very positive," Canton Fire Marshal Frank Barrett said. "We gave them a clean bill of health."

Open Door Director Steve Darr conceded ministry leaders still need to address a separate zoning issue before allowing clients to assemble inside the building to pick up their food, in what was formerly an old cardboard factory on Lilley south of Michigan Avenue.

Until then, ministry leaders have developed a system allowing clients to drive up outside the building and get their food from volunteers who bring it to them. Darr said Open Door



Pastor Steve Darr got a certificate of occupancy for the building that houses Open Door.

serves people from communities such as Canton, Westland, Garden City, Plymouth, Livonia, Romulus, Inkster, Ypsilanti, Belleville, Wayne and Romulus.

On Monday afternoon, Darr proudly showed a new, framed certificate of occupancy hanging on a wall inside the building — proof that building and fire code issues have been addressed.

"I feel really good that it," he said. "It's good we've been able to overcome this obstacle."

Open Door, spearheaded by Canton-based Connection Church, rents the building from a company that paid to fix most of the interior problems. Ministry volunteers also pitched in.

What seemed like a daunting task in mid-May had led to the following measures, among others:

- A new emergency exit door was installed by the parking lot and another was improved elsewhere in the building, giving the building three up-to-code escape routes.
- New, lighted exit signs have been placed throughout the vast facility, only a portion of which Open Door actually uses.
- A sprinkler system — one that hadn't been inspected in years — has been upgraded to meet fire codes.
- Some fire extinguishers have been replaced and inspected.
- Two old staircases that failed building codes have been ripped out. They mostly led to interior storage areas that Open Door can do without.
- New, wooden steps have been installed outside a rear exit.
- Interior walls and partitions that didn't meet building codes have been torn down.

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SOS to move, enlarge Canton site

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton will be home to one of the largest Secretary of State offices in Michigan as early as October, officials said Tuesday.

The new, 6,000-square-foot West Wayne County PLUS office will be housed in the Golden Gate Shopping Center on Lilley south of Joy.

It will replace a smaller facility set to close a little more than three miles away in another shopping center, Canton Landing, on Ford just west of Sheldon.

"It will help us better serve our customers," Secretary of State spokeswoman Kelly Chesney said Tuesday from Lansing.

Laura Calukyan, a representative for Golden Gate Shopping Center LLC, said the company has been told the office will be one of the largest in Michigan with an estimated 800 to 900 customers a day.

"It's going to have a lot of high traffic," Calukyan said.

On Tuesday evening, workers could be seen remodeling the new facility on the township's north side, in hopes it will be ready for an October opening.

"I feel great about it," Golden Gate Shopping Center owner Nick Tufenkjian said. "In this economy, I feel very good about it."

A temporary sign advertising the new facility already was hanging on the front of the building.

Bill Miller, a 72-year-old Canton resident, said as he walked across the shopping center parking lot that he lives a similar distance between the current and upcoming PLUS offices. He said he didn't have a preference for the location, as long as state officials keep it in Canton.

"I'm glad for that because I find it very convenient," Miller said.

According to a state Web site, PLUS offices offer services such as expanded Wednesday hours 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., optional self-service stations that allow customers to renew vehicle tabs without waiting at the counter, and more payment options.

Chesney said the new office will serve the same area but provide a better environment due to the larger facility. She said there are no plans to pull out of Canton.

"What we will be doing is relocating in Canton," she said. "We'll still be serving the Canton area, just at a new location."

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School staffers 'pumped' at First Day rally

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Over the summer, Tonda Elementary School fourth-grade teacher Amy Caudill read a book titled, *Teach Like Your Hair's on Fire*, and found it inspirational.

When the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools hosted their annual "First Day" observance Tuesday at Compuware Arena in Plymouth Township, Caudill put her renewed motivation on display, cheering the start of school complete with pompons and a refreshed attitude.

"To love what you do so much you could feel like your hair is actually on fire ..." she said. "I'm really excited about this year."

Caudill joined some 2,300 teachers, administrators, bus drivers, food service workers and staffers of every hue



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

School board president Steven Sneideman, sporting his Isbister Elementary T-shirt, speaks to the crowd.

Tuesday for the annual start-of-school rite, heretofore held at

the Gloria Logan Auditorium at Salem High School.

With such a large staff, though, administrators went looking for a place where everyone could get together at the same time. They put together a program that included presentations from corporate partners, the Plymouth Salvation Army and other featured speakers designed to start the school year off on a positive note.

"We've never been able to get all the teachers and staff together, so we needed a bigger venue," said George Belvitch, the district's director of elementary education, who put the program together. "I thought it went well. We had a good turnout, and people seem excited to get started."

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Mom2Mom sales

The Mothers of Preschoolers at Connection Church in Canton host a Mom2Mom sale 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at the church, located at 3855 Sheldon (west of I-275, north of Michigan Ave.) in Canton. Admission is \$1.

For more information, e-mail CCMopsMom@gmail.com or call (734) 334-0486.

The Plymouth Canton Mothers of Multiples host their semi-annual Mom-to-Mom sale Saturday, Sept. 26 from 8:30 a.m. to noon at West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trail, at Sheldon Road, in Plymouth.

Admission is \$1, cash only, strollers are welcome after 10 a.m. This is a department store style sale with boys and girls fall and winter clothing, ranging in size from newborn up to size 10 along with toys, baby gear, strollers and maternity clothes.

Contact pcmoms@hotmail.com target=blank>pcmoms@hotmail.com with any questions.

Historical society

The Canton Historical Society hosts its first "Fall Speakers" series event 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, at the historic Cherry Hill School, on the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge in Cherry Hill Village.

The guest speaker will be Steve Lehto talking about the 1913 Italian Hall disaster in Calumet, Mich. His book, *Death's Door*, was a Michigan Notable book and provides the most comprehensive interpretation of this event, in which 73 people died - most of them children - which was later immortalized by Woody Guthrie in his song "1913 Massacre."

For more information, contact the Canton Historical Web site www.canton-historical-society.org

Game night

The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club hosts a game night Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Summit on the

Park's Maple/Oak Room.

Registration starts at 7 p.m., with the games beginning at 7:30 p.m. The event will feature lots of prizes with a cash bar and food for purchase.

The Summit is located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. Register to play by calling Debby at (734) 282-2340 or dtorz@hot.com

Art exhibit

An exciting and intensely private collection of 19th century paintings will be on display at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill through Sept. 27. This exhibit will feature over 30 pieces of art collected by Judy and David Johnson, Washtenaw County residents for the past 32 years.

The couple has developed a keen eye and has slowly acquired a collection ranging from unknown artists to well-known American and European painters such as Henry Schouten, a 19th century Belgian painter, Henry Rankin Poor and David Johnson, the latter two prominent American artists.

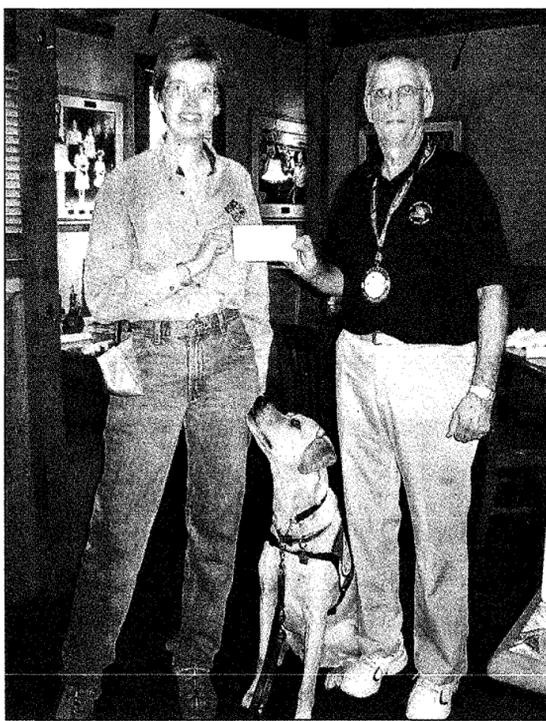
Presently, they have expanded their tastes to include portraits, Middle-Eastern paintings (Orientalist art), marine and Chinese pieces. The Johnsons' enthusiasm for and interest in farming has also led them to include numerous works featuring landscapes and various animals in their collection. The Johnsons' current collection is comprised equally of 19th century works and 20th century pieces and includes sculptures.

A special wine and cheese reception will be held in the gallery 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, with David and Judy Johnson in attendance to discuss their collection.

Admission to the gallery is free and the public is welcome to view this exhibit at the Gallery@VT: Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; during public performances; and by appointment by calling (734) 394-5308.

BPW meets

The Canton Business & Professional Women hold their next meeting 6-8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, at Palermo's Restaurant (dinner will be served), 44938 Ford Road, in Canton.



Dog day

The Canton Rotary Club was treated to a visit from Liz Smith Yeats and her dog Sirius from 'Paws With a Cause.' Paws With a Cause trains dogs to assist people with handicaps such as those who are deaf or have mobility issues. Sirius goes with Liz and illustrates what these dogs can do for people with handicaps. The dogs are raised by volunteers until they are ready for training. Once trained, the dog then goes through a course with the new owner so that both can work efficiently together. The dog is then turned over to the new handicapped owner. Paws With a Cause supports the dog/owner duo throughout their working life together making sure that any needs are met or retraining is accomplished if needed. After the presentation, Canton Rotary President Bill Tesen presented a check to Liz from the Club to be used to further the work of this organization. To contact Paws With a Cause for further information or to donate call (248) 844-5656.

Guest speaker is Frances Heimes-Savickis, Social Security Administration.

Palermo's is located in the strip mall behind Murray's Auto Supply on the north side of Ford Road, east of Canton Center and west of Sheldon.

For more information contact June Nicholas, (313) 610-2561 or junenicholas@comcast.net

First Friday

The Canton Chamber of Commerce still has openings available for the September First Friday Club.

It meets 8:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 4, at the Chamber office, 45525 Hanford, in Canton.

Anyone who would like to attend, or for more information, call (734) 453-4040.

St. Michael school

Registrations are being accepted at St. Michael Christian School in Canton for the 2009-2010 school year.

There are openings in 3- and 4-year-old preschool classes, as well as young fives and kindergarten. Their academic program is taught by qualified and credentialed teachers and they support the development of the whole child in a small class size setting.

The school is located at 7000 Sheldon Road inside of St. Michael Lutheran Church. For more information, call (734) 459-9720.

Wildcat bowling

Please join the Plymouth High School Football Boosters for a fun night at the Super Bowl on Ford Road in Canton 8:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept. 12.

Cost is \$20 per adult, which includes two nine-pin no-tap games, shoes, pizza and pop. Alumni are also encouraged to attend to support the Wildcats. There will be a 50/50 raffle, silent auction and raffle with lots of great items.

Contact lgoble64@aol.com if you have questions or have an item to donate.

Scrapbooking fund-raiser

The Salvation Army of Plymouth and Creative Memories consultant Cassie

Hull are teaming up to host an all-day Scrapbooking event to help raise funds for the Salvation Army's Coats for Kids program.

Those interested in scrapbooking can join us for the Sept. 26 event, called Croptoberfest, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at a cost of \$35, which includes 12 hours of scrapbooking, meals, and a goodie bag. There is also a half-day option of six hours for \$20.

For more information, or to register, contact Cassie at the Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464, or by e-mail at cassiekh@gmail.com. Those unable to attend can still help the Coats for Kids program by donating \$15 to help purchase a coat for a child in need. The Salvation Army is located at 9451 S. Main St. in Plymouth.

Bike raffle

Starting Aug. 31, Buffalo Wild Wings customers - including those at the Canton location - can enter a raffle for a chance to win a one-of-a-kind Great American Chopper Pro-Street, valued at \$26,000, and support a great cause at the same time.

Patrons can purchase raffle tickets for \$10 each from their server, and all proceeds benefit Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan, a statewide agency whose mission is to help families cope with leukemia, lymphoma, and related blood disorders.

"Buffalo Wild Wings has really stepped up to the plate to host an amazing fund-raiser to benefit Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan," said the foundation's President & CEO William Seklar. "The money raised will help us develop more robust programs and continue to provide for the families we serve."

The grand prize raffle drawing will take place 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at Buffalo Wild Wings, 1873 E. Big Beaver Road, Troy.

Church crafts

Connection Church (previously Tri-City Christian Center) is currently accepting applications for its annual Holiday Craft Fair 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 5.

Connection Church is located at 3855 Sheldon in Canton, north of Michigan Ave.

For more information contact Katy Reitz, (734) 693-5656 or katyreitz@mac.com

Hospice volunteers

Compassionate Care Hospice is a community-based organization committed to providing excellent hospice care for patients and their families. The group is currently seeking caring and dedicated individuals to provide support by being a friendly visitor to patients in the Western Wayne County area. Training is provided.

For more information, contact Ann Christensen, Volunteer Coordinator, toll-free (888) 983-9050 or e-mail at achristensen@cchn.net.

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Tonda Elementary mascot Cory Chambless and teacher Kathy Schwalm whoop it up at the Plymouth-Canton 'First Day' rally Tuesday.

FIRST DAY
FROM PAGE A1

Among the presentations was a \$5,000 check from Sam's Club, the product of a grant the district obtained from the retailer. The grant will be used to purchase an online Encyclopedia Britannica.

What made it more interesting was the presenter: Plymouth-Canton product Paul Barraco, Sam's Club's director of human resources.

"I can't tell you how much I value you as the father of a 9-year-old who starts school next week," Barraco, a lifelong Plymouth resident, told teachers.

Among the attractions were cheerleaders, choir members and the band, students teachers normally don't see until the first day.

"To see the students right away like this ... I think it's a great alternative to get the staff fired up," said choir director Jennifer Kopp, in her 10th year. "The staff, just like the students, need to be reminded why we do what we do. Seeing the students here is a great way to do that."



Members of the Plymouth-Canton band helped district teachers and staffers get the school year started Tuesday.

OPEN DOOR
FROM PAGE A1

Open Door gets its food — everything from canned goods to meat to cakes — from places like Wal-Mart, Kroger, Sam's Club and Target, and perishable goods are stored in nine freezers. Food is delivered

to the facility by two non-profit organizations, Gleaners Community Food Bank and Forgotten Harvest.

Open Door also has rooms in which volunteers help clients hone their computer skills and provide information on job listings.

Already this year, the ministry has given 734,595 pounds of food to 34,247 people — most of them repeat cus-

tomers. Darr said the need for help has increased during the economic downturn.

Only a few new clients have been accepted as Open Door strives to address its building issues. The organization also is need of volunteers. For more information or to help, call (734) 397-1777, Ext. 201.

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Farm market suspects set for hearing

BY DARRELL CLEM
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Two defendants accused of trying to break into a farm market in Canton are facing a Sept. 14 preliminary hearing to determine whether they should stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Scott Allen Shuman, 41, of West Bloomfield, and Christopher Dennis Boldvich, 28, of Redford, had been arrested Aug. 17 after a passerby reported seeing two suspicious men around a farm market located on the corner of Ford and Beck roads, Canton police said.

The pair had been scheduled for a preliminary hearing last Friday, but a 35th District Court clerk said the case has been adjourned until Sept. 14. She said Shuman remains jailed but Boldvich has been released after posting bond.



Shuman



Boldvich

According to Canton police, officers went to the farm market around 6 a.m. and arrested two men as they tried to flee on foot.

"The police investigation revealed the suspects entered the storage area of the market and attempted to gain entry into the building," a police statement said.

Shuman and Boldvich were arraigned Aug. 18 on charges of attempted breaking and entering a building, a felony punishable by up to five years in prison upon conviction.

Both men also were charged as fourth-degree

habitual offenders, meaning any penalties against them could be enhanced if they are convicted.

Judge James Plakas of 35th District Court had ordered the men held on \$15,000 cash bonds, but a court clerk said Tuesday that Boldvich has been released after posting his bond.

According to the Michigan Department of Corrections, Shuman already had been on probation on a charge of breaking into a coin-operated device. He had been ordered not to break any more laws.

MDOC records also indicate Boldvich had a criminal history including breaking into a coin-operated device, larceny in a building and burning of property. He had served some prison time before his release last year.

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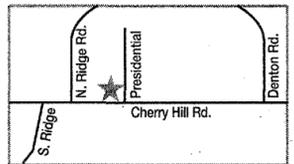


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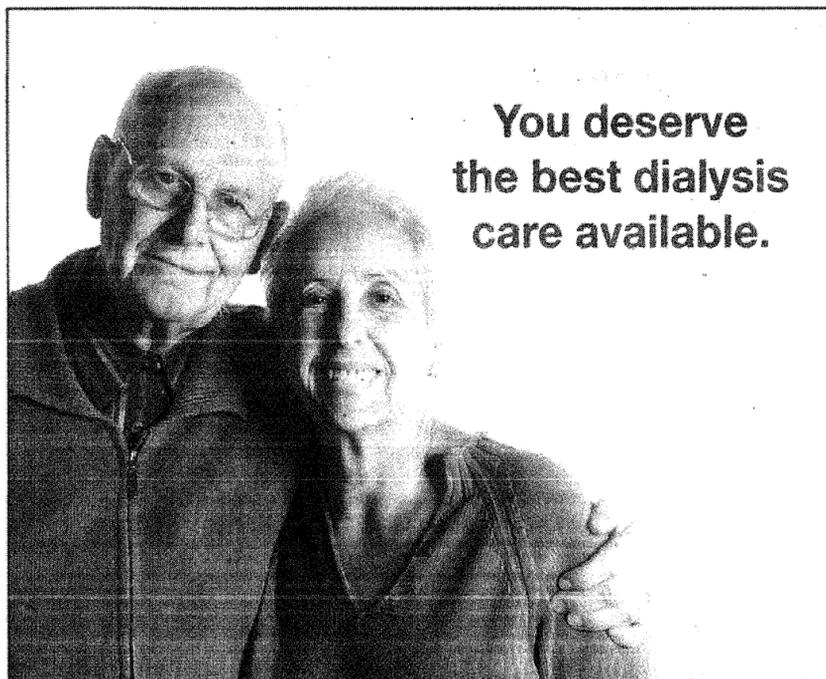
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Suspect sought in car theft, home invasion

Canton police are investigating a twofold incident involving a home break-in and a stolen vehicle.

Initially, a resident told police his home in Westpoint mobile home park, on Old Michigan Avenue southeast of Haggerty and Michigan Avenue, was broken into sometime prior to 5 a.m. Saturday while he was visiting friends.

The man returned home and was missing items including video games and accessories, \$800, a gold ring and other jewelry, and an iPod. The man later learned many of the items were found in a vehicle impounded in Westland.

In a related report, a woman who also lives on Old Michigan Avenue reported to police that her vehicle — the same one impounded in Westland — had been stolen the same morning of the break-in. Police were investigating a suspect — a man identified by the woman as her brother.

A police report indicated the suspect had been arrested in Westland for driving while drinking, fleeing and eluding police, and possession of stolen property. The Canton investigation was continuing.

Home invasion

A woman who had gone shopping at Meijer reported that her house on Fairfax Court, northwest of Palmer and Lilley, was broken into while she was gone between 10:30 a.m. and 1:20 p.m. Monday.

The woman noticed the front door of her home had been damaged and called police. Officers saw footprints leading from the sidewalk near Palmer Road to the residence.

A police report indicated a window screen may have been pried open near the front door, which also was damaged.

The woman told police that four boxes of jewelry had been taken from the home.

Almost gassed

A man ultimately returned to pay for gas he had stolen from the Mobil station at Joy and Haggerty roads, according to police reports.

The incident started about 7:45 p.m. Friday when a man pre-paid \$15 in gas, pumped \$71.82 from a different pump, got into his vehicle and drove off.

A police report indicated an employee trailed the man to the area of Haggerty and Warren, motioned for him to pull over and

was told that the man drove off because he didn't have enough money. The employee got the man's personal information and warned him to return within an hour and pay for the gas or the incident would be reported to police.

When the man didn't return, the incident was reported to police, who contacted the suspect and warned that he needed to pay the tab or the gas station employee planned to press charges. The suspect finally paid what he owed.

Prowlers flee

A woman told police that someone was prowling around in a back bedroom of her residence on Mott, southeast of Michigan Avenue and Haggerty, around 10:20 p.m. Saturday.

The woman said her son told her that he could hear voices in a back room of the mobile home. The woman muted a television and said she, too, heard noises as though someone was going out a window.

She went out the front door and saw two people jump out of a window and flee on foot.

Phone swiped

A woman who lives on Trails Court, southeast of Joy and Canton Center, reported that someone apparently rummaged through her house sometime prior to 9 a.m. last Thursday. She said her checkbook and her son's cell phone were missing.

The woman told police her son had fallen asleep on a living room couch and woke up to find his cell phone missing from the spot where he had left it. The woman realized later her checkbook had been taken.

She told police a living room window had been left open and that she noticed the screen was partially off track. She originally thought her cat may have caused it, until she noticed the missing items.

— Compiled by Darrell Clem from Canton Police Department reports

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National Preparedness Month is a great time to get your family ready. Preparedness goes beyond fire alarms, smoke detectors, dead-bolt locks and extra food in the pantry. The Ready Campaign has made it easy with four simple steps: get an Emergency Supply Kit; make a Family Emergency Plan; be informed about emergencies and their appropriate responses; and get involved in community efforts.

To help get your family started, Ready Kids is a family-friendly tool to help parents and teachers educate children, ages 8-12, about emergencies and how they can help families better prepare. The Ready Kids web site at www.ready.gov

gov features fun activities such as a scavenger hunt, Pack It Up matching game, crossword puzzles and coloring pages, as well as age-appropriate, step-by-step instructions on what families can do to better prepare for emergencies and the role kids can play in that effort.

The Ready Campaign consulted with a number of organizations experienced in education and children's health to develop Ready Kids, and their expertise helped present the emergency preparedness information included in the Ready Kids program in a way that is understandable and appropriate for children.

It's important to address this topic and explain to your children that families can prepare for emergencies before they take place and that they can help, too. By doing so, you can alleviate anxiety if an emergency does occur and help to nurture a more prepared society for generations to come. Visit www.ready.gov/kids today and get ready!

Canton Emergency Management encourages you to visit their Web site at www.cantonpublicsafety.org for more information. Check out the 30 days of Emergency Preparedness. Take one tip a day for the month of September and get you and your family prepared for an emergency. For more information contact Canton's Emergency Management Office at 734-394-5357 or krich@cantonmi.org.

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Take steps to prevent identity theft

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke had his identity stolen. He is just one of millions of Americans who, every year, finds that someone has stolen his/her identity.

Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in America and it affects every segment of our society from rich to poor, old to young. No one is immune.

In Bernanke's situation, it appears that his wife's purse was stolen and that led to the identity theft. However, in today's world, it doesn't have to be an event that leads to an identity theft. In fact, a person who has had his/her identity stolen cannot point to a so-called event. After all, in our technology-driven world, there are many ways to steal our identity.

I wish that there was a sure way to prevent identity theft but there is not. Nevertheless, there are steps to take that may reduce the chances of your identity being stolen and reduce the effects if your identity is stolen.

One way to reduce the risk of identity theft is to stay up to date with personal financial information. I always tell investors that whenever they receive a financial statement, whether it is from an investment, a bank or a charge card company, review it for accuracy — are transactions appropri-

ate, are deposits credited, are withdrawals, particularly electronic withdrawals, correct? In addition, when you receive a bill from your charge card company make sure you have authorized all charges on the statement.

When there is a discrepancy on a statement, many people assume that the financial institution is correct. In fact, the general assumption should be if there is a discrepancy the financial institution is wrong.

If there are any discrepancies, immediately contact the company issuing the statement. If the discrepancy is not immediately resolved, take the next step which means put it in writing and direct it to the appropriate parties.

One area most vulnerable to identity theft is credit cards. Ever since charge cards were invented there has been credit card fraud.

I remember the old days when the standard advice was to get copies of your carbon and to tear them up. Obviously, we've come a long way since then. The crooks have gotten more sophisticated and so must consumers.

The first thing everyone should be aware of when it comes to charge cards is be cautious as to who you give your charge card information. Just because someone sends you an e-mail asking for charge card information doesn't mean you should provide it.

Many scammers will send you an e-mail claiming that they are either the IRS or your bank or a service like PayPal and that they are seeking financial information.

The e-mails look official and even the sites that they direct you to look legitimate, however, they are not.

My general rule is never reply to e-mails that seek financial information. Organizations like the Internal Revenue Service do not correspond to taxpayers by means of e-mail.

It is also important to protect your computer. Firewall, anti-virus software and anti-spyware software is needed to protect others from gaining access to your computer. It is not sufficient to have these items — they must be up to date.

Bernanke is just the latest in a long list of well-known individuals who have had their identity stolen. Obviously, when someone famous has their identity stolen it is newsworthy. However, when million of Americans have their identity stolen every year it barely makes the news. Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in America and law enforcement does not have the resources to prevent the crime.

While banks and other financial institutions have implemented safeguards making stealing someone's identify more difficult, consumers are in the best position to protect themselves.

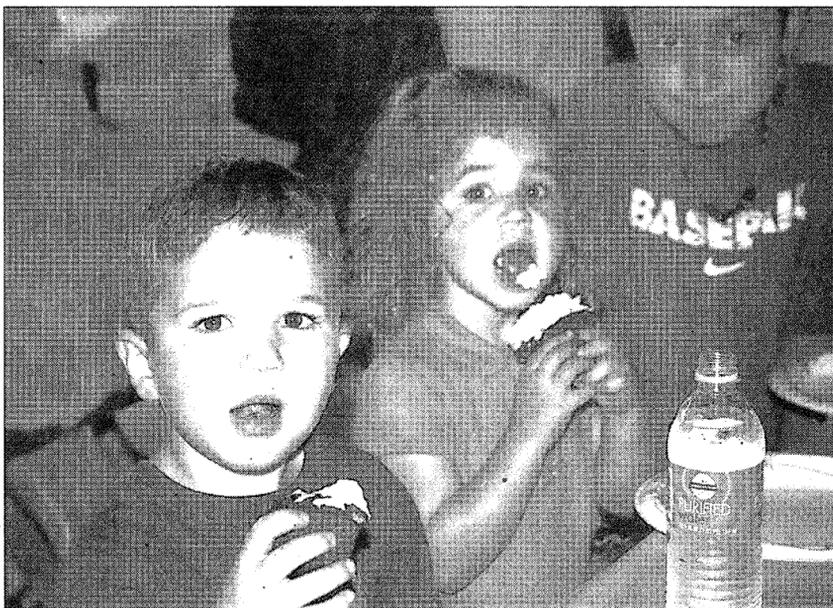
Learn from the Bernanke situation. Be vigilant when it comes to protecting your financial information.

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Money Matters

Rick Bloom



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Reece and Grace Cooney enjoyed the frosting on their cupcakes during the annual Plymouth Lions picnic. That's Alexander Barker behind them.

Picnic helps Lions celebrate success

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Lions celebrated what club officials deemed another year of fund-raising success that benefited a number of area charities by gathering family and friends for a picnic at Plymouth Township Park late last month.

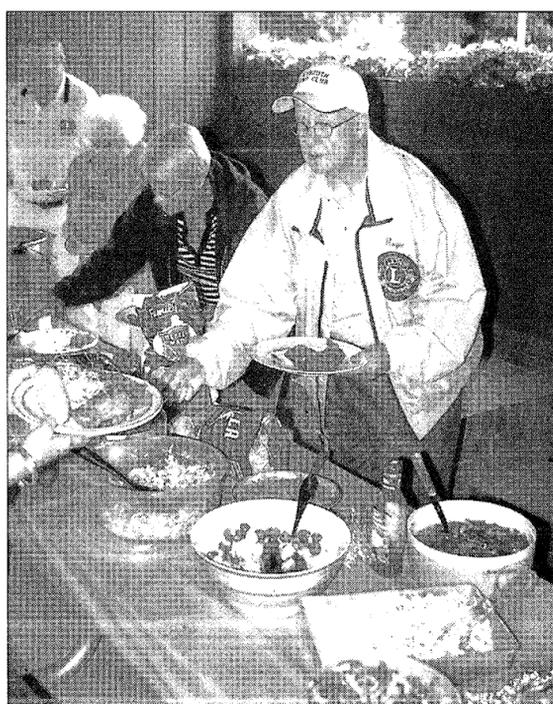
The picnic has become a Lions tradition where children and grandchildren play games and adults share good will.

The picnic helps cap efforts the Plymouth Lions, whose motto is "We Serve," make for charitable causes every year. In addition to its work getting eyeglasses to the needy, the club supports causes such as the Plymouth Historical Museum, Leader Dogs for the Blind and the marching band. Members also ring bells for the Plymouth Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle fund-raiser.

The Lions Club also funds four scholarships each year to the tune of \$1,500 apiece.

"What a nice investment in the community," Jordan-Crowley said. "People come to us with their need and ask if we can help. If we can, we do."

One of the largest beneficiaries of the club's work is the Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor. The center provides five-day residential, day care and con-



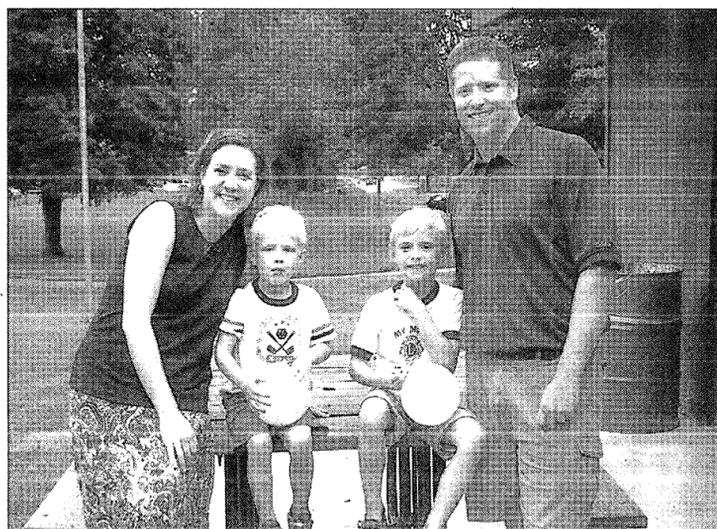
Lion Roger Vaughn enjoys the food brought to the picnic by Lions members and their families.

sultation/evaluation services to blind, multi-disabled children.

"It's a fabulous center ... they do so many things," Jordan-Crowley said. "If you've never seen a child who's blind and

never walked, because of the track system they have, these kids are able to walk. It's just amazing."

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Lion Karissa Jagacki was joined by husband, Jeff, and their children, Adam and Grant at the recent Lions picnic in Plymouth Township Park.

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Symphony season honors Lincoln, visits Hollywood (and Bollywood)

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Classical music fans can salute Abraham Lincoln, take a musical trip to India and kick back in blue jeans with Beethoven (really!) during the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's upcoming season.

The orchestra's 64th season — six regular concerts and four special events — begins 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, with "Beethoven & Blue Jeans" at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton Township.

Ludwig von Beethoven's "Prometheus Overture" and "Symphony No. 2" will book-end the concert; the middle of the program will feature "blue jeans" pieces inspired by the American West, from composers Aaron Copland, Elmer Bernstein and others. Composer Gwyneth Walker will be the special guest.

Beth Stewart, executive director of the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society, said most symphony concerts offer preshow events that give audiences the chance to meet the conductor, Nan Washburn, and special guests. Washburn and guests talk about the music and take questions from the audience, Stewart said, adding



Conductor Nan Washburn and the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will pay tribute to Hollywood and Abraham Lincoln during the upcoming concert season.

context to the concerts.

"It's so much more meaningful when you hear the piece of music," Washburn said. "Our audiences have really become appreciative of having the opportunity to do that."

The special guest for the 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, concert, "Chasing Lincoln," also at the Village Theater, will be composer Joseph Schwantner; the orchestra will perform Schwantner's "Chasing Light,"

which was commissioned to be performed around the country this year, the bicentennial of Lincoln's birth. Donations from the PCSS and a local symphony in each of the other 49 states, plus a matching gift from the Ford Motor Co. Fund, paid for the commission.

The Lincoln concert will also feature Copland's "Lincoln Portrait," narrated by Narendra Sheth, an immigrant from India who hosts a weekly

local radio show. Stewart said Sheth's narration is fitting. "Lincoln's words were really words that could speak for all people in all times," she said.

The connection to India will be renewed with the orchestra's closing special event, the Saturday, June 5, Fusion Festival (time to be announced), also at the Village Theater. Orchestra members will join dancers and musicians steeped in the musical traditions of India for a musical tribute to Bollywood, the informal name for the film industry in Mumbai, India's movie capital.

"Bollywood has really come to the forefront in American culture" with the popularity of the movie *Slumdog Millionaire*, Stewart said.

Other special events this season are discounted Detroit Symphony Orchestra tickets (and a chance to meet conductor Leonard Slatkin) for

8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6; the "Bucks for Bach" orchestra fund-raiser at the Lotus Arts Gallery in downtown Plymouth, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13; and an evening of classical movie music, 8 p.m. Friday, April 16, in "Hooray for Hollywood," the orchestra's annual fund-raiser at the Penn Theatre.

Other concerts in the regular season are:

■ "Serenade at St. John's," 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, in the chapel at The Inn at St. John's. Featuring Dvorak's "Serenade for Strings" and pieces by Handel, Grimani and others.

■ "Home for the Holidays," Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Penn Theatre. Two performances, 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., of a holiday pops concert. Canton Celebration Youth Orchestra members will appear.

■ "Brahms Sunday Serenade," 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, at First United Methodist

Church in Plymouth. With special guest, harpist Maurice Draughn, and music by Brahms, Poulenc and Ravel.

■ "Tchaikovsky Spectacular!" 8 p.m. Saturday, March 13, at the Village Theater. With special guest, composer Kristin Kuster, whose "Iron Diamond," based on the trains that run through Plymouth, will be performed. Celebration Youth Orchestra members will appear.

Tickets for regular Plymouth Symphony Orchestra concerts are \$25 each, \$20 for senior citizens and \$10 for students. Season ticket packages are available. For more information, visit its Web site, www.plymouthsymphony.org, or call its new offices on Sheldon Road at (734) 451-2112. Office hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday.

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Salon marks anniversary with discounts, help for kids

BY MATT JACHMAN
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A Plymouth Township hair salon is marking its ninth anniversary by giving back to its customers — and the community.

Jolees Hair Salon, 40400 Five Mile, is offering customers \$5 off haircuts, adult or child, plus a gift to each haircut customer. Salon owner Susie Ftouni is calling the offer an

anniversary celebration and a back-to-school special.

Jolees is also donating part of its proceeds from those days to the Michigan-based Wigs4Kids, which provides children who are suffering from hair loss with custom-fitted wigs. The organization aims to help the children feel better about their appearance.

Ftouni said she sponsored one child for a wig through Wigs4Kids beginning last year

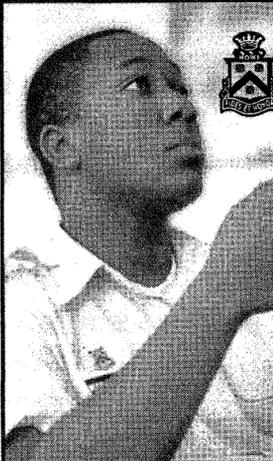
and wants to sponsor another.

"I'm a real giver when it comes to kids who have special needs or medical conditions," Ftouni said. "I'm always there for the kids."

The event began last week-end and continues this Friday and Saturday.

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OUR VIEWS

Parents: Resolve to get involved

We're all so used to celebrating the New Year in January, but when you think about it, every calendar year has two of them. What's the second one? The first day of the NEW school year.

Next week students and teachers, not to mention the support staffs, will be headed back to school in the Plymouth-Canton and other school districts. For first-time kindergartners, it will be an exciting day. For seniors in high school, it'll be the start of the countdown to graduation. In between, it will mean hard work to advance to the next grade.

Getting kids ready to go back to school is more than a trip to the store to buy new clothes and school supplies. It means coming up with a game plan to help students succeed. One way to do that is through parental involvement. Parents can't sit back and let the teacher do it all. They have to take an active role in their children's education. They need to become a partner with their child's teacher or teachers to foster learning and achievement.

Why? According to a Michigan Department of Education report, the more parents participate in schooling, in a sustained way and at every level - from in advocacy and decision making and oversight roles to fund-raisers and boosters, as volunteers and para-professionals, and as home teachers - the better for student achievement.

The earlier in a child's educational process parent involvement begins, the more powerful the effects. The most effective forms of parent involvement are those which engage parents in working directly with their children on learning activities at home, the report noted.

Parents' expectations plays an important role in their child's academic achievement and social adjustment with their expectations. In fact, decades of research show that when parents are involved students have higher grades, test scores and graduation rates, better school attendance, increased motivation, better self-esteem, lower rates of suspension, decreased use of drugs and alcohol and fewer instances of violent behavior.

The pressure is on for students to succeed. From No Child Left Behind to the state's new high school curriculum, the message is quite clear. There is no room for failure, all children must succeed so they can be productive members of our society.

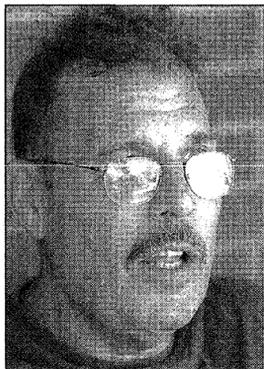
Like the Jan. 1 New Year's Day, we urge parents to make a resolution for the September New Year's Day to get involved in their child's education. Get active in your school PTA, go in and talk with your child's teachers. Go to the open houses and parent-teacher conferences. Work with your kids at home.

We all want our kids to do well in life, so take the time to give them a good start. The investment we make today will foster our children's success in the future.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you think you would buy an electric car? Why or why not?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



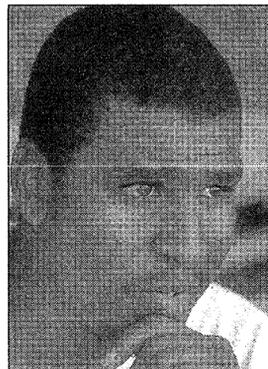
"No, because I'm not sure once I plug it in what my electric bill would be, but the biggest factor is the expense and cost of the car."

- Bob Scibiorki
Canton



"I think I would, because I do a lot of city driving, and I think they are getting a lot better."

- Rachael Harrington
Canton



"I think I would, because you never know when the price of gas is going to shoot back up. It keeps going up and down."

- Kenneth Mount
Livonia



"Probably not, because I don't know where I would store a cord that big."

- Ann Winfrey
Canton

LETTERS

Long overdue

President Obama's plan to provide universal health care to all Americans is long overdue.

Like President Clinton before him, his efforts are being opposed by a very powerful and rich health care industry that wants to maintain the status quo and their enormous profits.

Sadly, my congressman, Thaddeus McCotter, has taken sides with the insurance companies rather than the millions of Americans who are without health care insurance or those who are struggling to pay the ever higher premiums. But then McCotter has a high quality health insurance plan for him and his family courtesy of the taxpayers, so why should he be concerned about those nongovernment workers who do not have this benefit?

If McCotter and other conservatives were truly opposed to socialism, they would work to eliminate Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security. If not, then they are hypocrites and do accept socialistic policies in this country.

The best solution for the health care crisis is the simplest one: Get rid of the over 65 requirement for Medicare and provide all Americans health insurance through it. Then we will have universal coverage, costs will come down and we will no longer be burdening employers with the high costs of providing their employees with health insurance. Simple.

Thaddeus J. Hejka
Canton

Shared effort

While it is encouraging that Senate and House committees are beginning to seriously consider health care reform legislation, it is critical that the U.S. Congress takes action and passes real health care reform in the next few months.

America is facing a health care crisis caused by a combination of skyrocketing costs and an insurance system that leaves 47 million of us without any coverage. The current health care system is endangering both our economy and our health, and voters have made it clear that they want change. According to a study reported in *The New England Journal of Medicine*, 70 percent of Americans surveyed believe the health care system needs major changes, if not a complete overhaul.

Health care reform legislation must guarantee quality, affordable health care to all U.S. residents. It is universal coverage that will determine the humanity of our system, and all Americans must have health care coverage, including the choice of a quality, affordable public insurance plan. In addition, it is essential that comparative data on treatments, benefits packages and medical outcomes be made publicly available so that individuals can make informed health decisions.

Congress needs to take additional strong action to reduce the costs of health care for individuals, businesses and communities. As a nation, we are spending \$1 out of every \$6 we earn on health care. Legislation must provide effective cost controls, equitable distribution of services and allow for efficient and economical delivery of care. Offering everyone a government administered health insurance plan like Medicare that would compete with private health

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insurance plans will be key.

Achieving this kind of comprehensive, system-wide reform will take a shared effort by citizens and Congress. Sens. Levin and Stabenow and Rep. McCotter need to support real health care reform.

Paula Bowman, president
League of Women Voters of NW Wayne County

Postal reform

The original concept of the post office was to provide a secure way to send commercial documents throughout the states and the world.

This has not changed; methods of correspondence have. The telephone made communication faster and more convenient for one generation, the Internet for the current generation.

The postal service has lost its focus and needs to adjust. Business delivery and rural delivery are still needed six days a week. If the postal service only delivered ALL mail to urban and suburban residences on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, that would be sufficient for the volume of letters and advertising now using the mail stream (advertisers could orient sales brochures knowing the residents might actually read them on a Saturday when many are not at work).

With computers this could easily be facilitated. Higher-costing Express and Priority mail would be delivered to residential addresses (along with all other mail for that address) en route with delivery of business mail.

This would give regular employees a five-day work week (with weekends off) and part-time employees would be used for Saturday delivery, vacations, and the additional workforce for Tuesday and Thursday residential needs.

Reduced gas, vehicle miles and hours in suburban and urban would provide substantial savings over current costs. This would be a "modified" six-day delivery, which is a "twist" on current postal thinking. The feasibility of "every delivery, every day" is no longer logical.

John Chew
Canton

Triumph and tragedy

We all in certain ways have experienced lifestyle changes due to the state of the economy. Those of us who still have jobs, or have retired comfortably from long-standing careers, may not feel the desperation of many people in our community, neighborhood, and even those closer to home, in

our families. Yes, there are programs and agencies available to assist; however, the need today far outweighs the availability of resources such as this one.

For many years, the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College provided an avenue for people who were in transition. Not only did it provide support through the education process, as well as various professional resources, it gave each individual a priceless sense of confidence that they, too, could succeed.

The Center's Radcliff campus housed the Women's Boutique. The concept of a cost-free source for previously owned business apparel was born and implemented in 1993. In the ensuing years, it provided our students access to business attire to assist them making a successful transition from home or school into the workforce. It gave them the feeling of confidence and the needed boost in self-esteem. It was a gift that kept giving. No student who came through the Boutique's door left empty-handed. Most departed with armloads of much-needed clothing. There was always a smile and often tears of joy.

To all of the donors, you have no idea how many people you have helped. To the recipients, I am blessed to have been able to work with you. The Women's Boutique at Schoolcraft College Radcliff Campus ended its era (1993 to 2009) on May 28, 2009.

As a staff member, I have seen many who triumphed as they progressed through the program. The real tragedy here is that a place with a heart and helping hand will no longer be available during a time in our country when it is most desperately needed. Should we not be reaching out and extending a second hand rather than closing up shop completely? It doesn't matter how many people in life that you help, what matters is that you helped at all.

Joan M. Farrell
Novi

Bless you, Ted Kennedy

When I heard that Sen. Edward "Teddy" Kennedy passed away, I was deeply saddened. I know we knew it was coming, but to me it meant something special. When I was 16, I hitchhiked to downtown Detroit to of all places Kennedy Square to try and see someone I truly admired, Sen. Ted Kennedy.

I got about 10 feet from the stage and stared and listened in total amazement that I was actually that close to a Kennedy. I still have the picture I took that day. When I was in school, almost every report I ever wrote was about the Kennedys. I was fascinated by them.

My thoughts go out to all the people who admired this man, who really did work for the people. The Kennedy legacy will live forever Joe, John, Robert and Ted will live on forever.

Now he joins his brothers in Arlington, together forever. I can't wait to get there and see all of them together again, and I will.

Thank you, Sen. Kennedy, for all you did. Thank you for the picture, and thank you for spending the last years of your life trying to get a health program for the American people. God bless you. You will be missed.

Bud Somerville
Westland

ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS

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

• In response to the story "Board OKs ethics policy critics call 'toothless,'" dan43 wrote:

Ethics, or lack thereof, have long been an issue in Canton Township government. For the life of me, I still don't understand how Public Safety Director John Santomauro was allowed to be his wife's direct supervisor. How is that not a conflict of interest? It's no longer an issue, but only because she has retired.

"I always thought it was just more than coincidence that several key Canton Township officials ended up with homes around Pheasant Run golf course shortly after it opened - Yack, Kirchgatter, Burdziak.

"The biggest problem, I think, is that the old guard was in power too long. No one should be supervisor or mayor or in any lead public position for 20-plus years. Power corrupts even the best of people, and I don't think the Canton Township folks were any different. Don't forget that the current supervisor, Phil LaJoy, is part of that network. If anyone thinks Tom Yack still isn't wielding a lot of power in town, they're truly naive."

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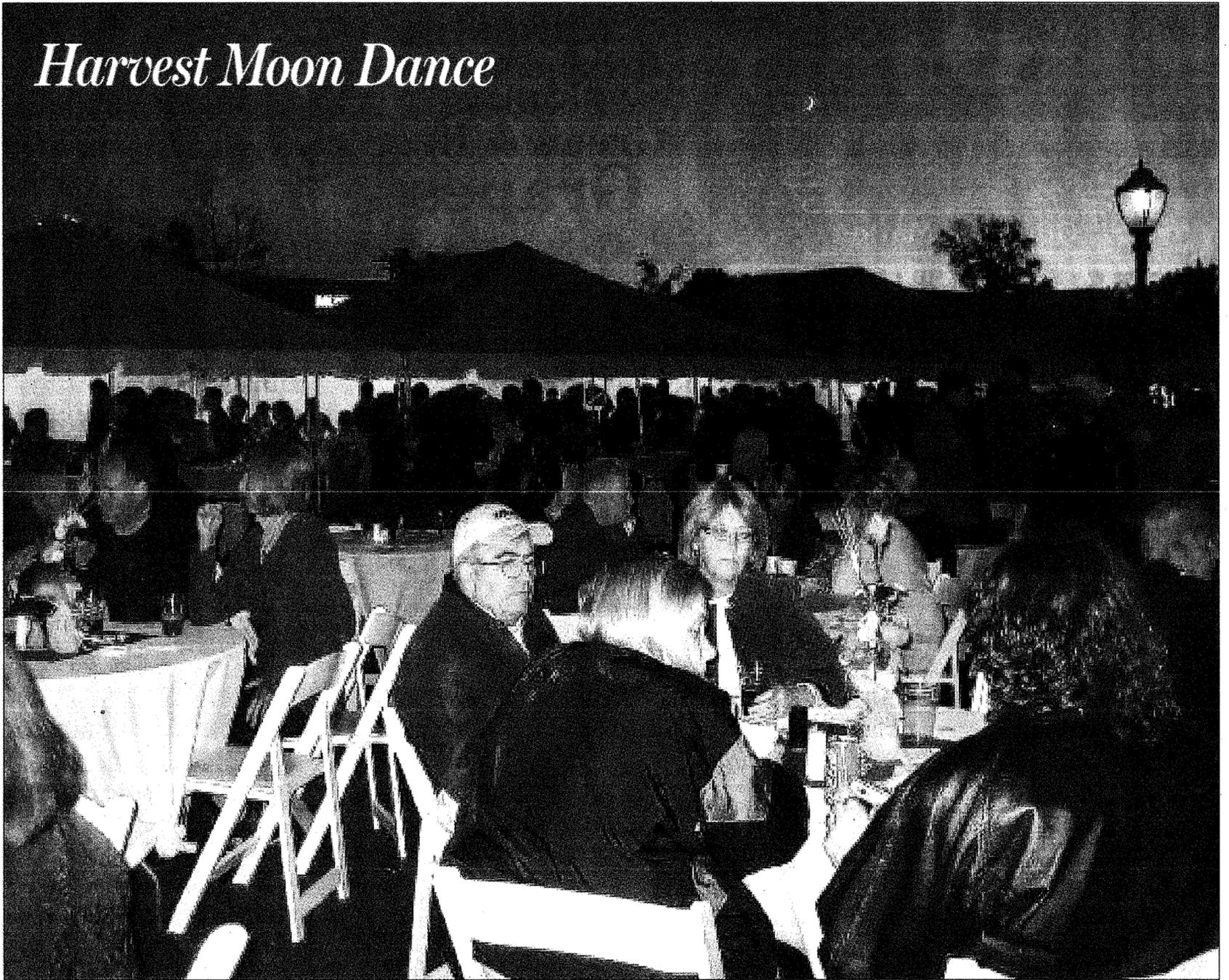


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Harvest Moon Dance



Downtown Farmington's Harvest Moon Dance offers food, entertainment and more.

Fashion show

See fashions, have lunch and help the Longacre house in Farmington Hills at the same time on Oct. 1 at Glen Oaks Country Club, 30500 W. 13 Mile in Farmington Hills.

The 40th Annual Fall Fashion Show to benefit the Longacre House starts with a fashion boutique at 10:30 a.m. with the luncheon and fashion show beginning at noon.

Women's fashions will be provided by Chico's at Laurel Park and children's fashions will be provided by Gap at Orchard Place.

Proceeds from the annual Fashion Show will go toward restoration and upkeep of the historic home, which the city of Farmington Hills acquired in 2006. The city has made extensive improvements including landscaping and interior upgrades and renovations to the house, which was built in 1869.

The elegant and charming 20-room Georgian-style mansion has become a desirable venue for weddings, showers, and special events. The Longacre House also hosts popular programs such as

Victorian teas, cooking shows, and music lessons.

Tickets to the 40th Annual Fall Fashion Show to Benefit the Longacre House are \$35. Charge tickets by calling (248) 477-8404 or mail checks made out to "Friends of the Parks" to The Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336.

The Fashion Show is sponsored by Friends of the Parks, a non-profit community service organization that sponsors projects that promote and enhance the City of Farmington Hills parks system. To view a slide show or virtual "mini-tour" of the Longacre House, go to www.longacrehouse.org.

Dessert time

Longtime Detroit-area favorite, Sanders, reopened the doors of their new flagship store recently at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.

Since its first soda fountain opened in 1875, Sanders has tempted customers with its famous candies, fudge toppings and baked goods as well

as desserts, including its popular ice cream sodas and hot fudge cream puffs.

Located on the lower level of the Nordstrom Wing, the new Twelve Oaks store not only offers these signature treats, but also is the first Sanders location to bring back — y popular demand — Sanders' vintage sandwiches, soups and light morning fare.

Twelve Oaks is at I-96 and Novi Road.

Stuff a truck

Donate to Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at Parisian in Laurel Park Place, Livonia, and you'll get a coupon worth 20 percent off apparel and 15 percent off cosmetics at the store.

Goodwill will accept monetary donations and clean, gently used clothing and textiles to help "stuff a truck" from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Donations will support

Goodwill Industries job

training programs and career services helping residents secure jobs by overcoming barriers to employment. Goodwill Industries is the only organization solely dedicated to fighting unemployment in Metro Detroit.

From Sept. 16 until the end of the campaign on Sept. 29, shoppers will receive two discount coupons when dropping off a completed Goodwill Pay It 4ward envelope containing \$25 or more at a participating location. Pay It 4ward centers around envelopes to be filled with dollar bills, passed from person to person, until they reach 25 people. More information on the campaign can be found at <http://www.payit4ward-detroit.org>. New envelopes will be available for pick-up at each store.

Parisian at Laurel Park is located at 17625 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

Trunk show

Pendleton in downtown

Northville will hold its Spring 2010 Trunk Show Sept. 10-12th. Customers who attend the show will be able to view samples from Pendleton's Spring Collection. All items are available for special order at no obligation. This is a great opportunity for special size, petite and plus customer to shop.

Pendleton is located at 119 Center in downtown Northville, (248) 596-9820.

Harvest Moon

Tickets go on sale Saturday, Sept. 5 for downtown Farmington's Harvest Moon Dance on Oct. 2.

The event, held at Sundquist Pavilion features live music, hand crafted beers, fall cuisine from downtown restaurants and commissioned art pieces.

Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door. For a list of

advance ticket sales locations, visit www.DowntownFarmington.org. The dance is designed for age 21 and older.

Garden tips

Nancy Szerlag, master gardener and author of *Perennials for Michigan* and *Annals for Michigan* will be share tips on fall lawn and garden care in a presentation called "Put the Garden to Bed" 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 15 at Art Van Furniture, 29905 W. 7 Mile, Livonia. Refreshments will be served. Call for reservations at (888) 619-2199.

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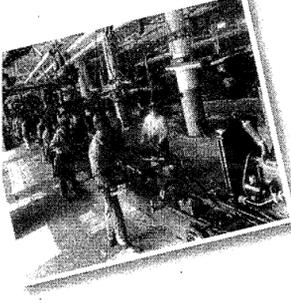



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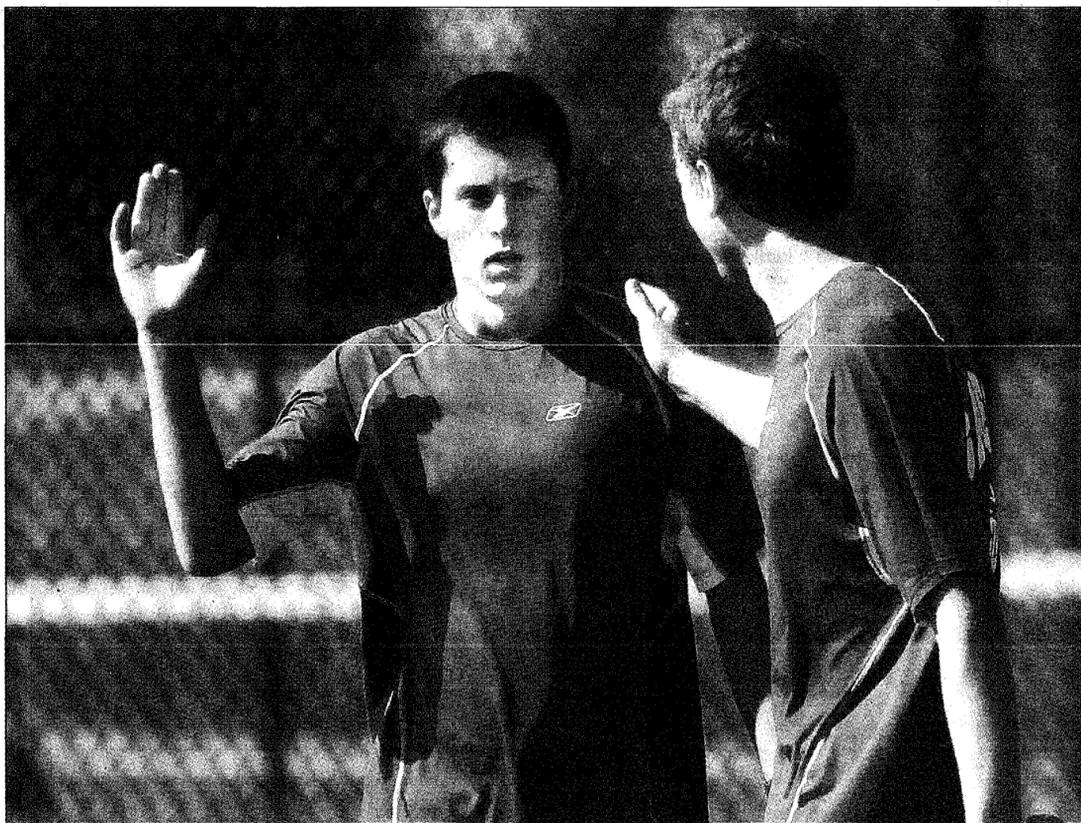
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2009 BOYS TENNIS PREVIEW



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Salem's No. 1 doubles tandem of Josh Perrin and Brock Foster earned their team's only flight victory against state powerhouse Northville in the Rocks' season opener.

Big tests early for Salem netters

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's not exactly fair to open a season dealing with two Top 10 state powerhouses in eight days.

But Salem varsity boys tennis coach Bill Nelson figures facing some of the best should bolster his own up-and-rising KLAAs-Central squad.

"It's tough to get past Northville and then we have Novi when we come back to start school next week," said Nelson, whose team started the season Tuesday with an 8-1 home loss to the Mustangs. "... We'd like to think we can compete with them. We'll see."

The Rocks did battle Northville in several contests. But it wasn't until the day's final matchup that Salem salvaged something to build on.

Salem's No. 1 doubles tandem of juniors Brock Foster and Josh Perrin scored a 7-5, 3-6, 6-3 victory over the

Mustangs Evan Gatz and Anthony Rossi.

"It gives us encouragement to fight on for the rest of the season," said Nelson about the Foster-Perrin triumph, adding that a shutout defeat "would have been kind of demoralizing."

POWERFUL DUO

That the pairing of Foster and Perrin came out with the three-set win did not surprise Nelson. "I think the (No. 1) doubles team is by far the most powerful we have and that we have had for a couple years."

In singles flights, a gritty performance by Salem junior Brett Foster could not stop Northville senior Melvin Joseph from posting a 6-2, 6-2 victory at No. 1.

But Nelson liked the way Brett Foster, also the No. 1 singles player in 2008, battled his opponent.

"Brett, he just grinds it out," Nelson

noted. "If he has to hit 40 balls, he'll hit 40 balls."

Salem freshman Jacob Scott lost 3-6, 3-6 at No. 2 singles to senior Tim Wasielewski.

Similar losses took place at No. 3-4 singles: Dion Walker, a junior, dropped a 2-6, 1-6 match to senior Steve Irvine; senior John Kang fell 2-6, 2-6 to senior Nick Kalweit in the four slot.

Northville's overall talent and experience won out in the No. 2-5 doubles matchups. Those results were as follows: No. 2, Andy Steinman-Mike Keum lost 3-6, 3-6 to Albert Chen-Bryce Groshek; No. 3, Cody Hazen-Alek Zultkowski lost 3-6, 0-6 to Matt Satterfield-Phil Lee; No. 4, Zenik Pelekh-Greg Selewski lost 3-6, 0-6 to Jordan Blough-Alex Hsu; No. 5, Tyler Foley-Vishnu Rajendran took it on the chin from Austin Weaver-Rahul Raj, 1-6, 1-6.

Please see SALEM, B2

Cats eager to pounce

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Life is good for any coach when players come out in droves, all in top shape and totally committed to competing at the highest possible level.

That might be how Plymouth Wildcats' varsity boys tennis coach Tom Kimball is feeling on the eve of the 2009 season, which actually began with a 9-0 rout of visiting Livonia Churchill Tuesday at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Kimball said many of his top returnees who helped last year's team finish with a 9-2 record almost went over-the-top — with workouts, training and tournament play — to sharpen up for the grind of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

"We lost a couple varsity doubles players," Kimball said. "But we return our core singles and have some strength and have some players that have played a lot of indoor and tournament tennis in the off-season."

Thursday's 4 p.m. matchup with district rival Canton should provide Kimball with more insight into the overall potential of his team.

DAZZLING NUCLEUS

What he does know for certain is he has six athletes who are prime examples of the extra effort he likes to see and a lot of others who want to emulate them.

"They see these other guys play a high level of tennis and want to know how they did it," Mitchell said. "They found out they went to the club, and they're working with instructors and playing tournaments. It kind of becomes the standard for making a top varsity spot."

"You have to pay your dues. Those guys have done it, and so we can build on that."

Among his top six, sophomore Aaron Zhang (No. 1



Pat Bailey
Plymouth

singles) "played a lot of tournaments in the off-season and he's hitting the ball extremely hard and extremely accurately," the coach said.

No. 2 singles player Matt Dwan, a junior, also worked hard with instructors and put in tournament time. "He's solid, he's become a tough tennis player."

In the third spot will be senior Pat Onoro, dropped two notches from No. 1 singles (his 2008 lineup spot) for no reason other than Zhang and Dwan are outstanding.

"He (Onoro) got bumped down," Kimball explained. "But he's still high-level."

In the No. 4 position will be senior co-captain Pat Bailey, part of the 2008 No. 1 doubles tandem.

"He worked hard to develop a tougher serve," Kimball said. "And he's become a little more consistent. He's one of my co-captains and just a solid leader."

Plymouth's other co-captain is senior Andy Mitchell, part of the No. 1 doubles team with junior John Lopus.

Kimball said Mitchell is turning the corner as far as smacking the ball with accuracy.

Lopus is showing big-time improvement in his skill set, the coach noted. "He's a great doubles player, with good reaction and (good) hands at the net."

The coach didn't want to single out anybody else, other than to say there are many newer players who could make an impact.

Another winning season would only enhance the fun and crowded atmosphere these days around the tennis courts at Salem.

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"We lost a couple varsity doubles players. But we return our core singles and have some strength and have some players that have played a lot of indoor and tournament tennis in the off-season."

TOM KIMBALL, Plymouth boys tennis coach



WALT DMOCH

Canton resident Mark Hill tries valiantly to stop this shot during his cameo appearance as a Plymouth Whalers goaltender on Sunday. Hill took part as goalie for one of the teams during an alumni game at Compuware Arena.

Canton man's Whaler for a day

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Mark Hill of Canton didn't try to worry about the number of goals that were slipping past him during Sunday's Plymouth Whalers alumni game.

"I just tried not to get embarrassed and keep up with the guy at the other end (Scott Holsinger)," said Hill with a grin following the Sunday afternoon contest at Compuware Arena. "He played pretty well. It was tough."

The 31-year-old Hill — a Tier 1 recreation goalie whose family hosts current Whaler Tyler

G. Brown — stepped in at the last minute when it became apparent a sub goalie would be needed for the first-annual alumni contest.

Hill's Blue Team rallied to tie the game 11-11 after three periods of running time, but the White Team prevailed in the shootout.

His biggest nemesis was center Andrew Fournier (a Whaler in 2003-08), who lit the lamp four times. Chipping in with two goals was left wing John Vigilante, a fourth-year pro who now is in the Detroit Red Wings' system.

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2009 VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW

Chiefs look to play hard, contend

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Mary Kryska is taking over the head coaching job of the Canton Chiefs' varsity volleyball team in 2009, succeeding Jennifer Barnes who is relegating herself

to an assistant's role

Preview for Plymouth Wildcats volleyball, B2.

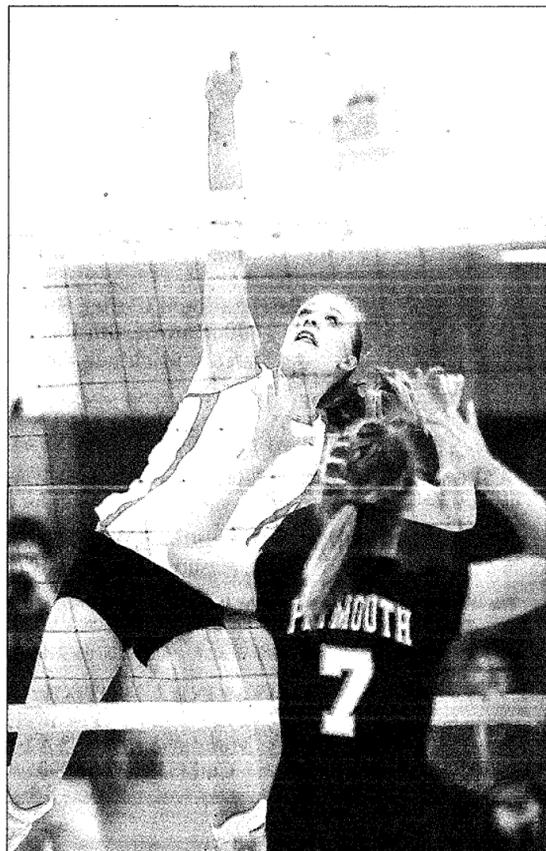
this year. But it isn't taking Kryska long to get a read on the Chiefs and what they might be able to accomplish in the KLAAs Kensington-South. She already likes the vibe so far in practices and is anxious for the team to start the regular season.

"The girls have the passion to work hard and win," Kryska said. "I have very high expectations for the girls and how they will finish the season. We will be facing great competition but I plan to have the girls ready to contend."

Canton has a number of returning players from the squad that went 36-12-2 last year before bowing out in the Division 1 district tournament.

Considered "our biggest

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Shown here during a 2008 contest is Canton's Jordan Kielty (left), who is expected to again be a key factor for the Chiefs this season.

Plymouth Christian kickers win two straight

The Plymouth Christian boys soccer team made it two victories in a row with Tuesday's 7-0 victory over visiting Washtenaw Christian.

Tallying twice was Don Mullett, who had scoring help from Chris Scagnetti, freshman Dan Ross, Alex Chapman, Jordan Machonga and freshman Ethan Levack (netting a goal in his first varsity tilt).

Machonga also collected two assists to help spark the Eagles' strong offensive effort. But the Eagles (2-1-0) were excellent across the board, said co-coach Larry Machonga.

"Every player on our team was able to get significant playing time and the consistency of pressure never

stopped," he said. "Solid defense came from our senior defenders Ethan Walker (formerly of Canton Agape Christian) and Matt Zandee."

Shutting down the middle was junior sweeper Travis Dekruyter while senior goalie Jordan Allen recorded the shutout.

On Saturday, an overtime goal by Chapman (2 goals) helped PCA nip Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, 5-4, in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game.

Mullett scored twice (both assisted by Jordan Machonga) to help the Eagles get off to a good start.

But the Chargers went up 3-2 in the second half before Chapman's first goal made it

3-3.

Both teams traded goals late in regulation with a penalty kick tally by PCA's Ross Christian and Matt Zandee.

The winning goal came about four minutes into the extra stanza, when Chapman found the upper right corner.

"It was a great victory but we obviously have some kinks to work out in our defense," said co-coach Evan Baker.

Chiefs knock off Warriors

Sophomore forward Mitch Pasuniak scored two goals and senior forward Brandon Tolinski assisted on three goals Friday to lift host Canton to a 4-1 triumph over Walled Lake Western in a KLAA

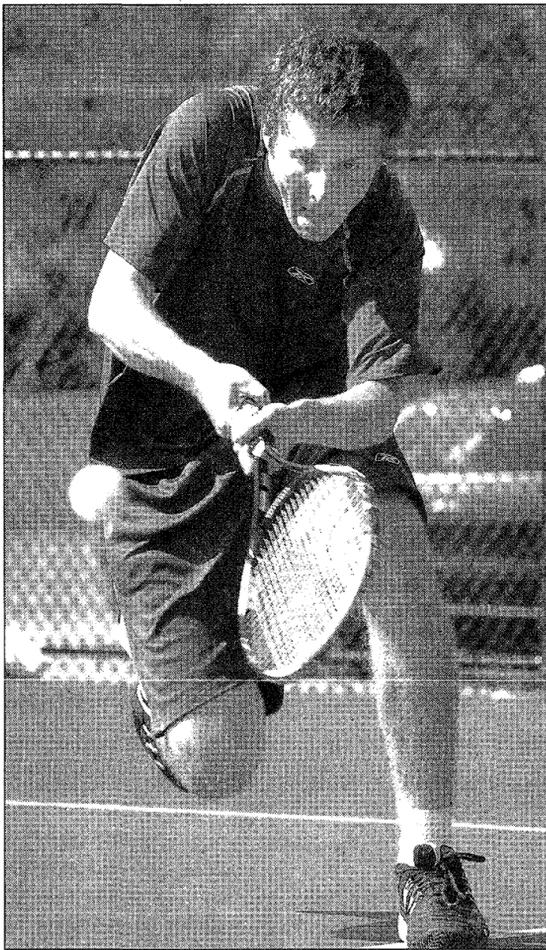
varsity boys soccer crossover contest.

"Overall, it was a slow start to the game but we came on strong as the game went on," said Chiefs' head coach George Tomasso, whose squad improved to 3-1-1. "I was really pleased with the team's performance."

Also scoring for Canton were senior midfielder Yusef Bazy, who tallied the game's first goal, and junior forward Sean Balnaves.

Collecting an assist was freshman Daniel Ovesea. The Warriors goal-scorer was Nick Lewin.

Sharing goalkeeping duties for the Chiefs were senior Kai Walther (4 saves) and junior Brandon Laabs (6 saves).



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Showing dogged determination while returning a shot Tuesday is Salem No. 1 singles player Brett Foster.

SALEM

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TIME FOR OPTIMISM

Opening match aside, Nelson is still optimistic that the Rocks can again be a very competitive unit this season.

In addition to the strong, consistent Brett Foster (an All-Observer pick last year), the Rocks feature a singles lineup of Scott (No. 2), Walker (No. 3) and Kang (No. 4).

Scott is "an excellent player, he's been playing since he was a little kid. And he plays national tournaments."

Nelson added that Walker

(No. 3 last year) and former doubles player Kang bring plenty of experience and consistency.

The coach also is generally happy with his doubles lineup, of course, spearheaded by the top pairing of Brock Foster and Perrin.

Of the other four units, Nelson is eager to see how well the No. 3 duo of Hazen and Zultkowski (a former soccer player) compete against the very competitive KLAA.

Salem will look to break into the victory column with a matchup Thursday at South Lyon East. The contest at Novi is next Wednesday.

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Reign-ing supreme

The Plymouth Reign '98 Girls Green soccer team celebrates after winning their division at last weekend's Dearborn Soccer Tournament. The Reign, coached by Glenn Liguori, includes the following players (listed alphabetically): Jordan Anheuser, Sophie Barterian, Sarah Bloem, Camilla Brown, Nicole Clark, Anna Maria DeBiasi, Kara Hutchison, Kaya Knake, Hailey Kutulski, Samantha McGrath, Emily Raymo and Emily Tanski.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Thursday, Sept. 3
W.L. Northern vs. Salem at PCEP (Varsity Turf), 7 p.m.
Canton at Lakeland, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Brighton, 7 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Friday, Sept. 4
Ladywood at Bedford Tourney, 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 5
University of Michigan Concessions Tourney, TBA

BOYS SOCCER
Thursday, Sept. 3
Cranbrook at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.
Salem at DeLaSalle Collegiate H.S., 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 4
A.A. Pioneer at Canton, 5:30 p.m.

BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday, Sept. 3
Luth. Westland Time Trials, 4 p.m.

GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
Thursday, Sept. 3
Ladywood vs. R.O. Shrine at Ferndale H.S., 6 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS
Thursday, Sept. 3
Plymouth at Canton, 4 p.m.
Salem at S. Lyon East, 4 p.m.

GIRLS GOLF
Thursday, Sept. 3
Ladywood at Warren Regina, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Friday, Sept. 4
Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio) Tourney, TBA.

(Embry-Riddle, Fla. Labor Day Tourney)
Madonna vs. N'western Ohio, 11 a.m.
Madonna vs. Faulkner (Ala.) Univ., 5 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 5
Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio) Tourney, TBA.

Embry-Riddle, Fla. Labor Day Tourney)
Madonna vs. Lindsey Wilson (Ky.), 3 p.m.
Madonna vs. Embry Riddle (Fla.), 7 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Sept. 5
Madonna at Indiana Tech, 2:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Sept. 5
Jackson CC at Schoolcraft, 11 a.m.
Madonna at Indiana Tech, noon.
TBA - time to be announced.

Newcomers help retool Wildcats

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW

Reinforcements are ready to help Plymouth's varsity volleyball team overcome losing a handful of top 2008 performers to graduation.

The Wildcats, coached by Kelly McCausland, mix enough key returnees and newcomers with potential to likely again be a competitive team in the KLAA.

"Defensively we are getting stronger daily," emphasized McCausland, prepping her squad for the Sept. 9 sea-

son opener against Wayne Memorial. "And we are working diligently on a quicker tempo offense."

Another plus is how quickly the team is gelling.

"The team has become a cohesive unit thus far," she said. "Our returning players have improved at every facet of the game and our new players have adjusted very well to the faster-paced game at the varsity level."

Returning from 2008

Wildcats (18-16-4) are co-captains Katie Salo (senior setter), Erin O'Connor (senior right side hitter) and senior middle hitter Kelly Smoltz.

They are joined by junior outside hitters Kayla Bridge, Dani Risi and junior middle hitter Alex Roberts, also part of the '08 team.

Those players will hopefully pick up where graduates Megan Quinlan, Lauren Scott, Briana Beyer, Mandy McManus and Jenna Livingston left off.

Out of that group, however, Scott, Beyer and Livingston

were defensive specialists.

Although that left McCausland with a void to fill in her lineup card, she has confidence that junior defensive specialists Mariah Tesarz, Andrea Haidar and Laura Schmid will do the job.

The Wildcats also have two sophomores who could add some offensive punch.

Hitter Jessica Scott can line up either in the middle or right side while Lindsay Stemberger can chip in either at outside hitter or defensive specialist.

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Eagles open with victory over Roeper

After weeks of hard work gearing up for the new volleyball season, opening night turned out to be a sweet payoff for Plymouth Christian.

The Eagles took all three games Tuesday night to sweep past host Birmingham Roeper in a Michigan Independent

Athletic Conference contest.

"We just came out strong in our match, we played very solidly as a team," said PCA head coach Kelly Blackney. "We were excited to play our first match."

"... The girls really exhibited the work they put forth in

practice on the court."

Blackney cited several players, including outside hitter Amy Zinn (10 defensive digs), libero Abby Bartes (10 digs), middle blocker Kristin Malcolm (9 kills) and middle blocker Folake Olojo (6 kills).

CHIEFS

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offensive threat" from the outside hitter position is senior co-captain Jordan Kiely.

Complementing Kiely is sophomore right-side hitter Kristen Muir.

Starting in the middle will be sophomore Alaina Turner, who Kryska said "will put up a huge block for us as well as a hard hit."

STEADY DEFENDERS

Senior co-captains and

defensive specialists Leah Powers and Lauren Macuga (libero) will help anchor the middle and back of the Chiefs' side of the net, joined by junior defensive specialist Laura Facasni.

Macuga, in particular "will be very strong for us defensively" along with Powers, she said.

The graduation of three-year varsity setter Kacy Moran could be a major blow, but Kryska is confident in the ability of senior Tracy Breitmeyer to take over that spot.

"We are working to mesh our setters with our hitters,"

Kryska said.

Rounding out the roster are seniors Anna Lerner (right-side hitter/defensive specialist), Kelsey Lindberg (outside hitter/right-side hitter), Allison Trapp (middle hitter), Torry Riley (outside hitter/right-side hitter); junior Tori DenBoer (middle hitter); sophomore Jackie Waite (setter); and freshman Erica DenBoer (outside hitter/right-side hitter).

Canton opens the season 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, at Westland John Glenn.

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PREP GRID PICKS

Week 2
Thursday, Sept. 3
 Livonia Clarenceville (0-1) at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (0-1), 4 p.m.
 Plymouth (1-0) at Brighton (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Canton (1-0) at White Lake Lakeland (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Walled Lake Northern (0-1) at Salem (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Lutheran Westland (0-1) at Riverview Gabriel Richard (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Birmingham Groves (0-1) at Farmington (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Pinckney (0-1) at Westland John Glenn (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Wayne (1-0) at Waterford Mott (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Ferndale (0-1) at North Farmington (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Howell (1-0) at Livonia Stevenson (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Churchill (0-1) at Waterford Kettering (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Franklin (1-0) vs. Walled Lake Western (0-1), 7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 4
 Redford Union (0-1) at Belleville (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Redford Thurston (1-0) at Dearborn Edsel Ford (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Garden City (0-1) at Dearborn Fordson (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Rochester (0-1) at Farmington Harrison (1-0), 7 p.m.
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Alumni soccer at PCEP

The Salem and Canton annual Men's Soccer Alumni Game is slated for 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12. The contest will follow the annual Salem-Canton varsity boys soccer contest at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park and will be played at the varsity soccer stadium. All alumni players from any year are invited to attend. Salem players can contact coach Ed McCarthy at (248) 561-2846 and Canton players can contact coach

George Tomasso at (734) 812-2290.

Arctic Edge shavings

Arctic Edge on Michigan Ave. in Canton is hosting a "Learn to Skate" program Saturdays from Sept. 26 through Nov. 14 with sessions from 10-10:45 a.m. and from 11-11:45 a.m. Each class is 30 minutes with 15 minutes of full ice practice time. Cost is \$100 per skater per eight-week session. For more information, contact Learn to Skate director Theresa McKendry at learntoskat-earcticedge@yahoo.com.

TEE TIME *Your local golf guide*

Links golf in Ireland

By David Graham

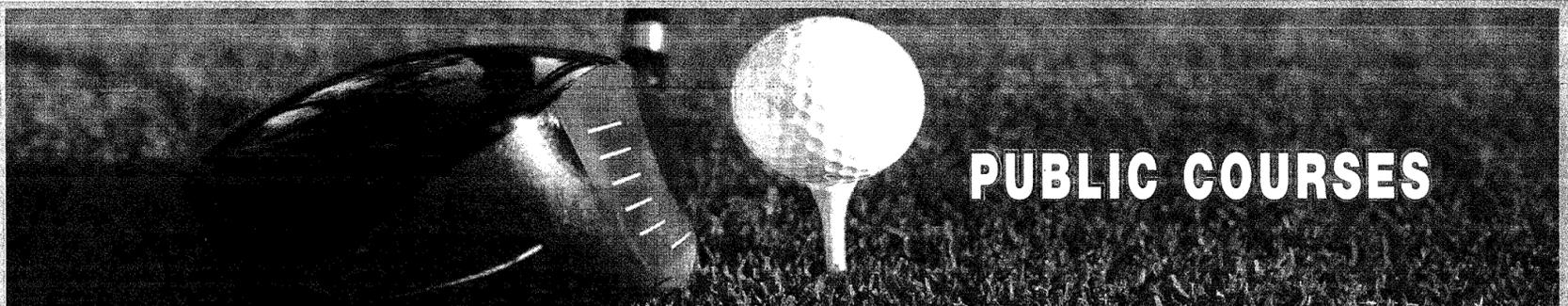
If you ever have the chance, go to the Emerald Isle and experience "links" golf. The game originated in that setting in Scotland and is not that common for us in Michigan. We do have some samples of it around the state including the Gailes Course at Lakewood Shores resort in Oscoda and Arcadia Bluffs on Lake Michigan to name a couple. If you need tree lined fairways to enjoy your golf avoid links golf. But if you want to try your hand at managing your game through the mounds and valleys of a links land, you might find it to be an extraordinary experience. Over the past three years, the Golf Association of Michigan has partnered with Sullivan Golf & Travel to take groups to Ireland. The last two years we traveled to southwest Ireland and played the following courses: Waterville, Tralee, Ballybunion, Lahinch, Dooks and

Old Head. As noted, trees are quite scarce on these courses but you might be surprised to learn that Palm Trees can be found at Waterville (apparently the Gulf Stream moderates the temperature enough for these trees!). When playing these courses, it is always good to have at least one caddie serving your group. While they tend to carry doubles, a foursome can be served nicely by a single caddie who carries two sets of clubs but is able to provide direction to all of the members of the group on the tee when you are faced with the inevitable blind shot. While not common to have blind shots on courses in Michigan, it seems to be very much the norm in Ireland and can be found on many of the golf holes off the tee — aim for a distant mound or hill or church steeple. At Lahinch Golf Club, there is a par 5 hole (named "the Klondyke") that requires a long second shot over a

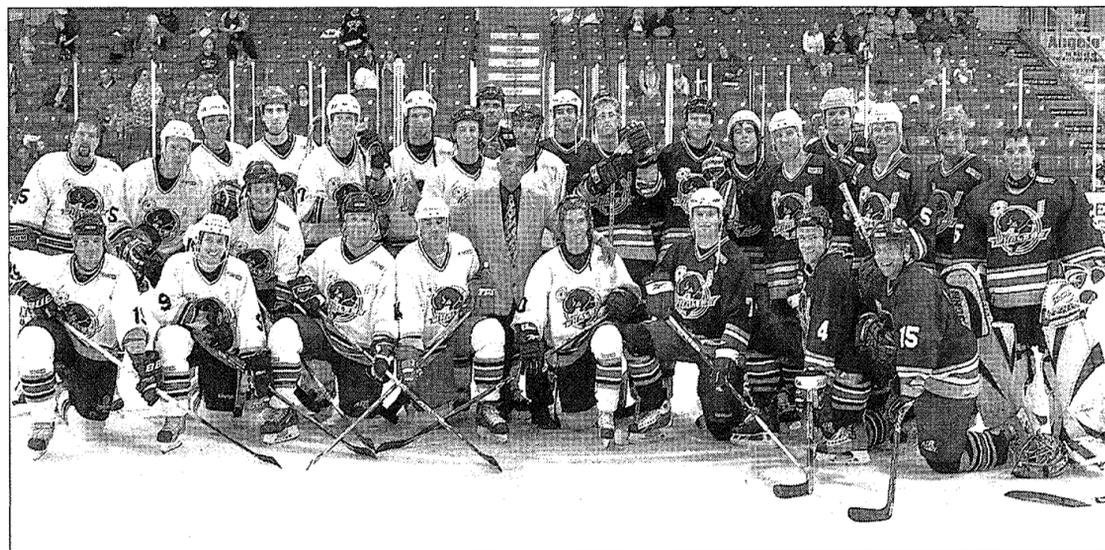
large hill covered in heather (very long and unforgiving grass). On the crown of the hill is a small hut where a club employee spends their day with a red flag. As you learn, the hole you are playing crisscrosses the 18th fairway and you cannot hit your shot until it is clear and you receive the red flag to play away! Presuming you succeed making it over the hill with your second shot, you have a fairly simple third shot into the green but don't be too long as you may cozy up to the stone wall behind the green or worse, over the wall onto the road. The next hole is a 185-yard par 3 called "the Dell." The right half of the green is visible from the tee and the left is hidden by another very tall hill covered in heather. There is a white aiming stone positioned on top of the hill that serves as your target. Depending on wind direction and strength, your caddie will direct you to aim at or to the right or left of the stone. If your

distance control is accurate, you should find your ball somewhere on the dance floor. As noted above, the wind is a huge part of the experience on a links course. Since you are not protected by trees and located along side the sea, the wind has such an impact that the preferred ball flight is a lower trajectory that helps to minimize its impact. While it can be maddening to have your ball blown off track into the heather and worse, it is such fun to correctly assess its impact and to hit your ball to your target by correctly gauging its impact. At Ballybunion, we played on what seemed to be an extremely windy day. I estimated it to be a 3 club wind. When I asked my caddie if he had this strong of wind frequently, he smiled and replied that this was a relatively calm day and I should see what it would be like when it really blew. That day, it took a full driver to reach the green on one of the par 3's

into the wind. I was humbled to think what it would be like to play "when it really blew." Beyond the wind, the heather and the blind shots, your visit also includes a visit with the gorse. If you hit your ball into the heather, if you can find it, the best you can typically do is hit your ball back into the fairway with your sand wedge. This will work most of the time. But with gorse, a plant that is a dark green, sprawling, prickly shrub, if you find the ball, chances are likely that you take a drop for an unplayable lie. While it is interesting to look at, avoid at all costs. Golf in Ireland has proven to be an addicting experience that is truly extraordinary. Beyond the golf, the people, the food and the Guinness are beyond compare! *David Graham is the Executive Director for the Golf Association of Michigan.*



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Following Sunday's Plymouth Whalers alumni game at Compuware Arena, all participating players got together for a group photo. At far right is sub goaltender Mark Hill of Canton.

WHALERS

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The goaltender's chance to play with former, current and future National Hockey League players came about almost nonchalantly. "I was actually watching the Whalers (on Friday) at their training camp the other day and just watching our billet son Tyler G. Brown," Hill recalled. "Natalie (Shaver of the Whalers' marketing department) came up and said they needed another goalie for Sunday. "Since I practice with the Whalers and things like that in the off-season she asked me to play." The alumni game kicked off a season-long slate of activities to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Ontario Hockey League franchise, which began life in 1990-91 as the Detroit Compuware Ambassadors. When Hill skated out on the ice for pregame warmups, the nerves were on edge. But after a few warmup shots, he settled down and didn't worry too much about playing in front of more fans than he is accustomed to with his regular team, the Irish (a top-quality Tier 1 hockey squad based out of Wayne).

BACK ON THE ICE

The following one-time Plymouth Whalers suited up for Sunday's alumni hockey game at Compuware Arena, with seasons of duty in parentheses: Dan Collins (2003-07), Wes Cunningham (2005-08), Shaun Fisher (1997-00), Andrew Fournier (2003-08), Jordan Grant (2003-04), Duane Harmer (1993-95), Scott Holsinger (1997-99), Jamie Lalonde (1997-00), David Liffiton (2001-04), Joe McCann (2005-08), Bill McCauley (1992-95), Ryan McGinnis (2003-07), Jeff Mitchell (1992-95), John Mitchell (2001-05), Dan Pawlaczyk (1993-97), Pat Peake (1990-93), Kris Purdy (1997-00), James Ramsay (1998-01), Tom Sestito (2004-07), Zack Shepley (2003-08), Damian Surma (1998-02), Chris Terry (2005-09), John Vigilante (2002-06) and Steve Ward (2004-07).

"It was a little intimidating at first, those guys are a lot bigger than I am and they played a lot more hockey than I have," Hill noted. "Once they start doing the warmups and they start shooting on you then you get right back into the feel of things."

HELD HIS OWN

Overall, Hill was satisfied with how he played. "I made a couple good saves and they scored some goals that I'm sure they would have scored on a lot of other people, too." During the second period, Hill's quick glove hand prevented a breakaway goal "and my team started to come back at that point, so it was nice to help the team out and make a big save." He also couldn't turn aside the fact that in order to get through the high-tempo, no-defense tilt he'd better really step up his own game. "It's a huge difference from what I'm used to," Hill said. "These guys can shoot the puck where they want to, they shoot it harder, they skate faster they can stickhandle. Most of those guys are still playing somewhere." One of those guys is Vigilante (2002-06), who likely will play for the Grand Rapids Griffins of the American Hockey League in 2009-10. The Griffins are the top farm team of the NHL Red Wings. "It's awesome, seeing everybody in the same room again, talking about old memories, seeing how things are going with everyone," Vigilante said. "And you know it's good for the fans, to see everyone out here

again who they've watched over the years."

FUN FOR FANS

Up in the Compuware concourse near CJ's Brewery (where the postgame meet-and-greet took place), longtime Whalers fans Rollie and Laurie Buchanan of Plymouth wore jerseys of alums Kris Purdy (1997-2000) and Jan Vodrazka (1995-97), respectively. "At one time Laurie was the fan club president and I was the treasurer," Rollie noted. "This today is awesome, it (the game) was great. I hope they keep it up. It's really fun to see all these guys come back and they just seemed to have a fun time playing." Laurie, meanwhile, had hoped for more of the bigger names to show up, such as Garden City's Jason Bacashihua and Stephen Weiss, both gearing up for NHL camps. "There are certain ones that were always our favorites," she said. "Some of them were busy and we know that." As far as Hill was concerned, he probably was glad others couldn't get to the Plymouth Township venue. "I saw a lot of people who played in the NHL and who may still play in the NHL," Hill said. "So it was an unbelievable experience."

Four!

Salem quartet will carry load

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

GOLF PREVIEW

These days, Rick Wilson couldn't be blamed if he were looking into golf bags for magnets. Why? He needs to draw new players to his shorthanded Salem varsity girls golf team for the first time in memory. With Wednesday's season opener against South Lyon East on the horizon, Wilson had only four players for sure on his roster — although he was busy trying to get some last-minute additions. High school teams only need four golfers on the lineup card to compete in official matches. "Our numbers are down," Wilson said. "For years, we always had 12 girls. Over the years we've had four all-staters." Wilson won't blame the economy because both Canton and Plymouth have decent numbers coming out this fall

and because the Salem boys team has so much interest (30 golfers at tryouts last year) he has to make cuts every spring. He does wonder if some prospective golfers opted to do other things instead of come out for the golf team. But whatever the reason for the low turnout and despite it, Wilson sees potential. Junior returnee Kristin Schultz brings some experience to the home course, Fox Hills. Erin Conklin, a sophomore, "has a good swing, but little-to-no experience" while sophomore Monica Cutshaw is a beginner to competitive golf. The fourth player is freshman Gabrielle LeBlanc. "She's got a really good swing. She has the fundamentals, but she lacks experience."

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GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

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Churchill scorers: Stephanie Panaretos and Jackie Burdette, 54 each; Jordyn Shepler, 57; Shelby Longworth, 61; Maggie McGowan, 68; Margo McClain, 75.
Dual match records: Plymouth, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLA South Division; Churchill, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLA South.

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Canton Strictly Business

Cousins stress fresh at new restaurant

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The state of the economy in Michigan is cause for concern, but Eddie Sarrage and his cousin, Zack Mahayne, believe their new restaurant will succeed because it offers quality food at fast food prices.

The two Canton men have opened Zack's Shack, a 55-seat restaurant in Westland's north end that features American, Southwest and Mediterranean foods.

"I want to try and grow and do what I can to make it grow," said Sarrage. "We have big dreams. This is a personal test. If we can get it off the ground, we can do another place."

According to Sarrage, the food selection is a reflection of "where we grew up, where we lived and what we ate." A Caesar salad shares space with a taco salad, fattoush and tabbouleh under salads and the choices include Philly cheese steak, falafel wrap and Chicken Twister under sandwiches.

Along with a selection of hamburgers and paninis, there's also a Southwest platter with quesadilla, taquitos, tacos and nachos and a Mediterranean platter with falafel, grape leaves, kafta, tabbouleh and hummus on a bed of rice. The latter is the most expensive item on the menu at \$9.99 but is large enough to "fill up two people," Sarrage said.

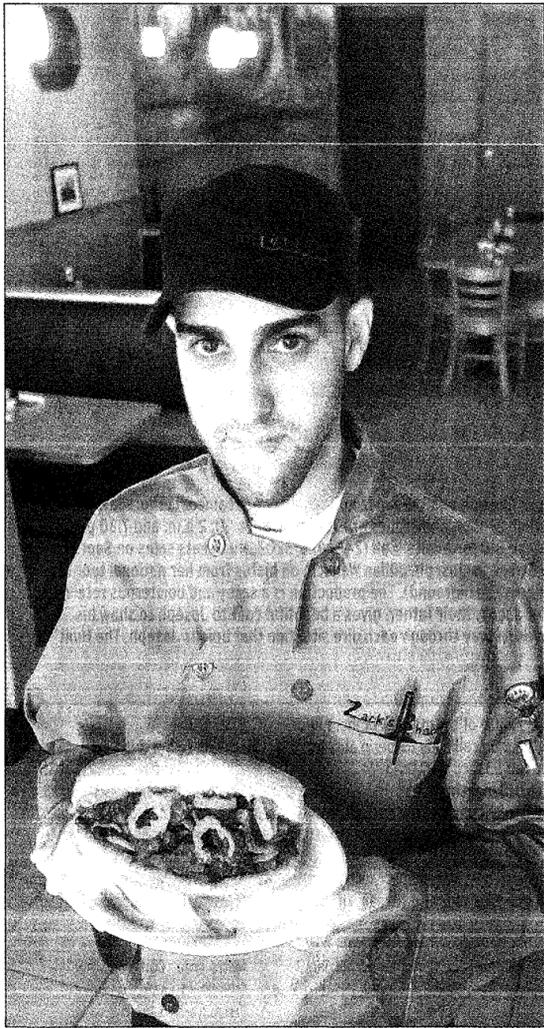
And Mahayne has contributed his recipe for chili, aptly named Zack's Famous Chili.

The emphasis, according to Sarrage, is on fresh. Most of the food is fresh and made in-house. The juice also is fresh squeezed, and the breads are from a bakery in Dearborn.

The two men have experience at both ends of the dining spectrum with a combined 30 years of experience in the food and beverage industry. Mayhane has worked for such national chains as KFC, Pizza Hut and Wendy's, while Sarrage has managed a high-end hotel and several restaurants in the Washington, D.C., area.

The two cousins opened the restaurant in late July. They spent two months fixing up the interior to reflect the difference cultures featured on the menu.

"We didn't want to give one ethnicity dominance," said



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Eddie Sarrage shows off Zack Shack's Philly cheese steak that he says is as close as it gets to the real Philadelphia style sandwich.

ZACK'S SHACK

What: Zack's Shack, featuring American, Southwestern and Mediterranean with dine-in, take-out or home delivery.

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Sarrage. "The colors we picked are subtle, and the music goes from Arabic to American to Spanish."

They have seen business slowly pick up to the point where they have a few regulars. Some have found the restaurant by word of mouth,

others have picked up the carry-out menus they left at other businesses. They're also picking up customers from the Art Van store located across Wayne Road from the restaurant.

Their hope that over the next three-four months, the business will continue to grow and stabilize. Admittedly, it's been scary opening a business during a recession, but they have set both long- and short-term goals and "we're going to do everything in our power to make them happen," Sarrage said.

"This is the first restaurant I've owned," he said. "It's kind of exciting. I've got a passion for it."

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BUSINESS MILESTONES

IKEA networking

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and its partners with the Western Suburban Area Council of Chambers presents a regional networking event 8-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, at the IKEA store, 41640 Ford Road, in Canton.

Join 12 suburban Chambers from the western suburbs gathering under the roof of IKEA in Canton to do some serious morning networking. The event will also feature breakfast, a special presentation from the store manager, gift card raffles and shopping IKEA before it opens.

Space is limited to 20 members per Chamber for this event. It will be on a first come, first served basis with payment. If necessary, a waiting list will be started. The cost is \$5 for Chamber members (\$10 for non-members) and must be paid at the time of reservation.

For more information or to make a reservation, contact the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-1540 or e-mail teri@plymouthmich.org

Jimmy Fund

HomeGoods shoppers nationwide will have the opportunity to donate funds for cancer research and care as part of the ninth annual "Be a Hero" pin-up campaign benefiting the Jimmy Fund.

The campaign will run in HomeGoods stores, including the Canton location at 42615 Ford Road, through Sept. 20.

HomeGoods customers who would like to donate can purchase "Be a Hero" cards for \$1 each with 100 percent of the proceeds benefiting the Jimmy Fund, which supports cutting-

edge research and care at the world-renowned Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

"All of us at the Jimmy Fund would like to thank HomeGoods and its generous customers across the country for helping make a big difference in the fight against cancer," said Mike Andrews, former Boston Red Sox second baseman and Jimmy Fund chairman. "New discoveries are happening at a rapid pace, and funding is needed to develop the new treatments and cures that will benefit all facing this disease."

"We are honored to support the Jimmy Fund and the amazing work they are doing in cancer research and care," said Robyn Arvedon, HomeGoods spokesperson. "The 'Be a Hero' campaign, allows us, in partnership with our customers, to raise much needed funds for this very worthy cause."

Leadership forum

WARM Training Center and Paragon Leadership International are teaming up to launch an innovative one day leadership forum for emerging leaders in environment, energy and sustainability seeking real-life leadership development experience.

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CHAMBER CHAT

Changing paradigms

The Canton Chamber of Commerce hosts "Changing Your Business Paradigms" with Tom Borg Consulting Development & Training 8:30-10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the Canton Chamber of Commerce office, 45525 Hanford. Cost is \$10.

In this thought provoking workshop you will begin to understand how changing your paradigms can help you create a more successful and profitable business.

RSVP by Sept. 11 by calling (734) 453-4040 or by e-mail at receptionist@cantonchamber.com

Consumer expo

The Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton Downtown Development Authority present the bi-annual Consumer Expo on Thursday, Sept. 24, at the Summit on the Park. The expo will be held from 5-7:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

"The Consumer Expo is an initiative of the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Canton DDA to encourage the public to get to know their business neighbors," said Dianne Cojei, President, Canton Chamber of Commerce. "The expo is a great opportunity to learn firsthand about the businesses in our community. Attendees have the opportunity to meet local business owners and learn about the great products and services they have to offer."

The Consumer Expo is held twice annually in February and September, and features over 60 businesses from the community who display their products and services to the public. Participating businesses include banks, insurance agents, travel agents, pet services, carpet cleaning, and many more. Each vendor gives away a door prize, admission is free and the expo

is open to the public. The Consumer Expo is sponsored by Waltonwood of Carriage Park & Cherry Hill and Xuereb Snow PC.

Spotlight Players

The Spotlight Players perform *Oliver* this month at the Village Theater of Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton.

Performances take place: 8 p.m. Sept. 18; 2 and 8 p.m. Sept. 19; 2 p.m. Sept. 20; 8 p.m. Sept. 25; 2 and 8 p.m. Sept. 26; 2 p.m. Sept. 27.

Cost is \$16 to \$18, senior, student and group discounts available.

Call (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or go on-line to www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater to purchase tickets.

Oliver is the well known Charles Dickens-based story of an orphan in Victorian London as he makes his way from the cruel workhouse to the even crueler streets, finding a home amidst a gang of lovable pickpockets and a best friend in The Artful Dodger. Go to www.spotlightplayersmi.org for more information.

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Maps/directories

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The Canton Chamber Map includes a map of Canton with

all streets and points of interest on one side and a Wayne County Map on the other side. The 2009 Directory includes information about the Canton Community as well as phone listings for State and Local Governmental Departments.

The Canton Chamber Directory also includes a member Buyer's Guide, Membership Directory, information on Chamber Membership and a complete listing of Chamber Community Events.

Photo gallery

The Canton Chamber of Commerce has added a new and exciting feature to the Chamber Web site at www.cantonchamber.com

"We now have a Photo Gallery, that covers all of our Chamber Events," said Dianne Cojei, president of the Canton Chamber of Commerce. We have photos from all of our 2009 Ribbon Cuttings as well as our Luncheons, After Hours, Networking Coffees, Auction, Consumer Expos and much more.

The Chamber Web site offers a complete Directory listing of our members by category and/or by company name. We also offer easy access to other Web sites including Shop Canton, Canton Township, Canton DDA, Leisure Services, S.C.O.R.E. and much more. The Chamber Web site offers coupons and discounts for members, residents and visitors. Looking for a place to hold a meeting? Looking for a good place to eat? The Canton chamber Web site has it all... just go to www.cantonchamber.com

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SEPT. 3-9

Bethany dance

8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Sept. 5, at St. Robert Bellarmine 27101 W. Chicago Road, at Inkster Road, in Redford. Admission \$10 includes refreshments. Tango lesson runs from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Call Diane K. for information at (734) 261-5716.

Teens and finance

Four-week series meets 7:30-8:30 p.m., Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 9, at Way of Life Christian Church, 9401 General Drive, Suite 100, Plymouth. Aimed at teens, 13-18. Call (313) 289-2477 to register.

SEPT. 10-16

Mom-to-mom

8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, at Connection Church, 3855 S. Sheldon, west of I-275, north of Michigan Ave., in Canton. Presented by Mothers of Preschoolers. Admission \$1. For more information e-mail to CCMopsMom@gmail.com.

Marriage series

Classes run 6:30-8 p.m., Sundays, beginning Sept. 13 through Oct. 4, at Way of Life Christian Church, 9401 General Drive, Suite 100, Plymouth. For more information call (734) 340-5551

Pomegranate Guild

The organization, which studies and creates Judaic needlework, kicks off its 2009-2010 season at 1 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13, at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt,



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'Joseph' takes to local stage

The Farmington school district/Community Musical Group presents the musical 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10, 12 and 13, in the Hunt Auditorium at North Farmington High School. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Sept. 10; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sept. 12 and 2 p.m. Sept. 13. Tickets are \$12 for students and senior citizens and \$15 for adults. Call (248) 425-5202. No tickets sales on Sept. 4 or 7. Cast members (left to right) are Jerry Morrissey as Pharaoh, and Dean Streck as Joseph. Jillian Wallach, on hiatus from her national tour in 'Annie,' is the narrator. They are joined by the brothers and others cast members (background). The production is a sassy and boisterous retelling of Joseph's dream interpreting skills and his brothers' extreme jealousy after Jacob, their father, gives a beautiful coat to Joseph to show his love for him. The musical, written by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice, weaves its way through each dire situation that befalls Joseph. The Hunt Auditorium is at 32900 W. 13 Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

Farmington Hills. The group is organizing a Hanukkah table display and also working on community projects

such as teddy bears for children and butterfly pieces for a Texas exhibition. The group meets the second

Sunday of the month. For more information call Judy Galperin at (248) 661-5337.

MOMS meeting

7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, in Livonia. The group, which meets the first and third Tuesday of the month, focuses on devotions, topics pertaining to moms of school-age children, and Christian socializing. The book "Raising Great Kids" by Cloud and Townsend is the theme this year. For more information call Susan at (248) 478-3643.

Women's Bible studies

Women of the Word Bible Studies meets 9:15 a.m. or 6:45 p.m., Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 15 at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. Five courses of study will be offered: Precept Ministries - Matthew Part 1, mornings and evenings; Precept Ministries - Revelation Part 1, mornings; Beth Moore - Believing God, mornings; Beth Moore - Wising Up, Wherever Life Happens, mornings; Jennifer Rothschild - Me, Myself, and Lies, evenings. Register at www.women.cbjoy.org or call Lee Anne Young at (734) 455-0022, Ext. 144.

Interfaith Journey classes

The series starts Sunday, Sept. 13 at Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills. Classes meet at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. and will be grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all. The program complements the mission of UUCF Religious Education of teaching youth inclusion, compassion and peace and provides the environment to live and learn in a culturally diverse community. For more information on classes or to register visit www.uufarmington.org/uucf/re.htm, call Jennifer Teed at (248) 478-7272 or e-mail to dre@uufarmington.org.

SEPT. 17-23

Breakfast meeting

Bethany, a group for separated, divorced and singles, meets 9:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 19 at Leon's, 30149 Ford Road, next to Tim Horton's, in Garden City. For more information call Kathy M. at (734)

513-9479.

Mass and fellowship

2:15 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 20, at St. Thomas a Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, just south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Aimed at widowed men and women. Includes refreshments and social time. Arrive by 2:15 p.m. Mass begins promptly at 2:30 p.m. Sponsored by Widowed Friends, a peer support group in the Detroit Metro area. Come and meet new friends in a safe, friendly setting. For more information call Pat at (734) 459-5508 or Justine at (734) 455-6939.

ENDOW

Pope John Paul II's Letter to Women, part of the ENDOW series, will run Monday, Sept. 21-Nov. 9, at St. Aidan Church, 17500 Farmington Road. ENDOW is a women's study group designed to help women discover their God-given dignity and femininity through the richness and authenticity of Catholic teaching. A second series, On The Christian Meaning of Suffering, runs Thursdays, Sept. 24-Nov. 12. Both series run 7-9 p.m. Register at www.endowonline.com. A \$60 registration fee is required for materials. For more information call Michelle Schmidt at (734) 367-0353 or e-mail to mtschmidt@sbcglobal.net.

Reconciliation

David J. Conrad will present a two-part series on the sacrament of confession, 7-9 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 23-30 in Bixman Hall at St. Aidan Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Refreshments; free admission. RSVP to (734) 425-5950.

SEPT. 24-30

Health fair

9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Sept. 26, at Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia. Includes free bone density screening, free body fat analysis, cholesterol screening on site for \$12 per person with on site counseling regarding results, free blood pressure screening, massage therapy and other services. Call (734) 427-8743 for more information.

Movie

See "Fireproof" at 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 26 at Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia. The screening is free and it's followed

by six weeks of free classes on Fireproofing Your Marriage, 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 30 - Nov. 4. Free Bible classes are available for children of all ages during the class. Call (734) 427-8743 for more information.

Grief recovery

Six-week series begins 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 27, at Our Lady of Sorrows, 23815 Power, Farmington. Grief Recovery deals with loneliness and other issues related to the loss of a spouse. Members of Widowed Friends, a "peer" support group in the Detroit Metro area, will facilitate. \$20 fee covers all materials. For information or to register call Gail at (248) 477-5438.

ONGOING

AWANA

Every Wednesday night Faith Bible Church offers an AWANA program for children from kindergarten through fifth grade at Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Drop children off or stay for a Bible study offered to parents from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, call (248) 426-0096.

Classes/study

Antioch Preschool, an academic program complemented by Christian education, is now enrolling 3- and 4-year-old children for the 2009-2010 school year. A new toddler class is offered Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. Extended stay enrichment for 3's and 4's is offered Wednesdays - children bring their lunch and enjoy literacy activities until 3 p.m. Antioch Lutheran Church, celebrating its 50th year, is located at 13 Mile and Farmington Road in Farmington Hills. For information contact Sharon Detter, preschool director, at (248) 626-7906, Ext. 28, or e-mail to antiochpreschool@sbcglobal.net.

New Life Community Church, 42200 Tyler, Belleville, offers a jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m., Fridays, a reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays. (734) 846-4615

Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, is hosting a Tai Chi Class by Sam Purdy, Wu Style Tai Chi. This meditative form of Martial Arts is designed to reduce stress and is great for over-all health memory and balance. Everyone is welcome from beginning to experienced participants at any time. Classes continue every Monday. Cost per class depends on number of participants. For information or to reserve your space, call (248) 701-1587 or (248) 626-3620. Visit www.orchardumc.org for updates.

Adult and English as a Second Language literacy classes are available for those who want to improve reading, writing and English conversational skills. Open to age 18 and over. Trained tutors available for day or evening. For information, call Merriman Road Baptist Church in Garden City at (734) 421-0472. Leave your name and phone number and someone will contact you.

Scripture studies, from 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

Learner's Bible study, 7 p.m., Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Learn Qigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - a safe and effective way to rid the body of toxic pathogens and years of painful emotions - at Livonia Unity, 28660 Five Mile. Classes include: Monday movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m. Call (810) 813-4073 for more information or send e-mail to gary@energeticarts.org.

Bible study, 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, at St. Michael the Archangel Church, located at the southwest corner of Plymouth and Hubbard Roads. The informal classes are open to all interested persons regardless of religious affiliation. To register, call (734) 261-

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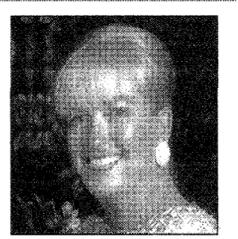
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CHRISTINE M. BAYER
Age 85, died August 29, 2009. Beloved wife of the late Helmut E. Bayer for 61 years. Loving mother of Katherine Bayer and Richard (Susan) Bayer. Dear grandmother of Christopher (Alice), Brian (Hope) and Adam (Leslie) Bayer. Great-grandmother of seven. Funeral service was held Wednesday 10am (in-state 9:30 am) at Salem United Church of Christ, 33424 Oakland Ave., Farmington, MI 48335 Visitation was held Tuesday 12-8 p.m. at THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, 33603 Grand River Ave., Farmington (1 blk w of Farmington Rd.). Memorial contributions may be made to Salem United Church of Christ or the American Heart Association. www.thayer-rock.com



ANNE LOUISE INGALL (KUHN)

Was born on Adams St. in Plymouth Oct. 2, 1922 & died in Plymouth Sunday, August 30, 2009. Anne spent her entire life in Plymouth & still lived in her home of 63+ years on Hartsough St. There was no better place on earth for her. She loved her home town. Anne worked her entire life with her first "real job" being at the Ford Phoenix Plant right here in Plymouth which was very unique back in 1942 as it was an all woman plant & they earned the same wage as men at that time. She was one of the "Rosie the Riveter" gals. She retired from Burroughs Corp., worked a few years at Plymouth K-Mart & then was the "Ticket Lady" at the Penn Theater until health issues forced her to retire at 80+ years old. She was an active member of the Plymouth VFW Auxiliary for many years. She was pretty much home bound the last couple years but still very much involved with her family. She especially loved cats, politics, her country & her home town. She was thankful she was able to see history made in Nov. 2008 election. Anne was the last surviving child of 13 born to John & Hattie Kuhn of Plymouth. She is preceded in death by her husband, Dave Ingall, a daughter, Bonnie Jewell Crackel (Ingall), a granddaughter, Tammy Crackel, her sister, Inez Cramb, & brother, Chuck Kuhn. She is survived by her son, David Ingall & daughter, Marie (Norm) Long (VanEvery) both of Plymouth & her precious kitty, Patches; 7 Grandchildren: Mark (Carol) Wells, Michael Wells, Robert Wells, Anthony Wells, Jennifer (Ivan) Ortiz, Jim (Roxanne) Crackel & Scott (Wendy) Crackel. Also 14 Great Grandchildren: David, Steven, Emily, Whitney, Amber, Anne, Nick, Philip, Jessica Wells; Lexus & Jasmine Olds, Jim, Jessica & Chelsea Crackel and 6 Great Grandchildren. One nephew, Richard (Joan) Cramb & one niece, Judy (Dale) Shepherd; Dear Brother-in-law, Larry Ingall, & Sister-in-law, Harriet (Oliver) Ackerly of Florida. Visitation Friday, September 4th from 2pm-9pm and Saturday September 5th from 1pm until time of Memorial Service at 3pm from the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. Interment at Riverside Cemetery. Dave and Marie give thanks to God for his timing, mercy and love. Share your special thoughts and memories at www.schrader-howell.com.



JEAN C. ORTNER

July 2, 1939 - August 27, 2009. Beloved Wife of the late Richard. Dearest Mother of Greg Herbert, Lynne Herbert and Noelle Frederickson. Loving Grandmother of Kyle. Mrs. Ortner was Born in Parkersburg, WV, and graduated from West Virginia University. She was the owner of The Great Frame Up in Farmington Hills. Funeral Service was Monday at McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Visitation was Sunday 4-7 pm. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans. www.mccabefuneralhome.com

JEAN L. WELCH

Of Livonia, died Tuesday, September 1, 2009 in the loving care of her family. She was 86 years old. Mrs. Welch was preceded in death by her loving husband Robert Eadon Welch (d.1951). She is survived by her loving daughters Janet Welch (Ben Hare) and Jill Welch (Scott Potter) and grandchildren Andrew Eadon Harwel, Bryan Welch Potter, Mara Elliott Harwel, and Kristin Welch Potter. Graveside services to be held at Evergreen Cemetery, Brown City, Thursday, September 3, 2009, 12 Noon. For further information, please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors in Milford at: 248.684.6645 or visit: www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com.



ELIZABETH BUZA

Age 79, of Westland. Loving wife of the late Colman. Dearest mother of Juanita Buza Jensen, David J. (Cheryl) Buza and Russell B. (Cindy) Buza. Proud grandmother of five grandchildren: Nicholas, Brady, Casey, Dana and Erin. Loving sister of Gilbert (Bupps) Greaves. Visitation was on Wed at Vermeulen Funeral Home 980 N. Newburgh Rd., Westland (btwn Ford and Cherry Hill). A Funeral service on Thursday 10:00 AM at the funeral home. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice 14100 Newburgh Rd., Livonia, MI 48154. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com.

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United Methodist Church goes whole hog for annual festival

Plymouth First United Methodist Church will get into the fall festival spirit with a little celebrating of its own Friday, Sept. 11. Its second annual Hog and Corn Roast is open to the public and will start at 6 p.m., at the church, 45201 North Territorial, Plymouth Township. "It's Fall Festival time in Plymouth, so we did ours on Friday night," said Liz Ramsay, church member. Plymouth's Fall Festival starts at noon on Sept. 11, with most activities - including a taste fest, carnival, craft booths, live entertainment and more - scheduled for Sept. 12-13. The church festival will offer lots of activities, too. "There will be horseshoes and volleyball, ladder golf and we'll have a fire pit with storytelling around it," Ramsay said. Last year the church served more than 100 meals, which included roasted pork, chicken and corn. "Added to this year's lineup are homemade pies from the church ladies, We'll have additional people this year because we have a (wedding) rehearsal dinner that Friday." For more information about the church's second annual Hog and Corn Roast, call (734) 453-5280.

- By Sharon Dargay

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■ Bible talks, 4 p.m. Sundays at the Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Call (734) 728-9157.

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

■ Tuesday Ladies Bible Study from 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile. \$15 registration fee includes interdenominational study materials. Child care available for children through age 5. Call (248) 348-7600.

■ A study/discussion group focuses on relationship with God and that of other religious groups and philosophical and scientific issues that might impact faith, at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy. A group at 10:30 a.m., Thursday examines early writings not included in the Bible as well as other versions, extensions and controversies concerning Christianity. Led by interim pastor Larry Hoxey, (313) 274-3820.

Concerts
■ Rush Hour concert series continues every Tuesday with gathering and refreshments at 5 p.m., concert 5:30-6 p.m., featuring performances by local and national jazz artists at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward, Detroit. Free. Visit www.metroumc.org.

Fellowship dinner
Dinners will resume Sept. 17 at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Cost is \$8. Dinners are at 6 p.m., Thursdays. Call (313) 534-7730.

Films

10 a.m. Wednesday Kids Matinees and 4 p.m., Saturday family movie, at Kenwood Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman, Livonia. Guitar Praise game precedes the film on Saturday. Children in second grade or younger can play prior to the film; those in third grade and up can play after the movie. Pizza will also be served following the movie. All events are free. (248) 476-8222

Hall rental

■ Volkmar Hall located in Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28600 Cherry Hill, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Garden City, is available for rent. For information, call (734) 427-3660.

■ St. James Presbyterian, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. For information call the church at (313) 534-7730

Prayer

■ Music, singing, prayer at 7 p.m. Thursdays at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through entrance #2, at the back of the church. For more information, call Grace at (734) 464-1896, Shirley at (734) 464-3656, or Geri at (734) 464-8906.

■ 7 p.m. Wednesday, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests. Call (248) 476-8860.

■ Parish prayer and Eucharistic Adoration, third Wednesday of each month at St. Michael's Church of Livonia, corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads. The church will be open for worship from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m., followed by Benediction service. For information, call (734) 261-1455.

■ 7-9 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month for prayer, spiritual healing and outreach at Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City. Call (734) 427-3660.

Singles
■ Single Point Ministries, for ages 30 and older, offers fellowship and related topics at 11:30 a.m., Sundays, in Knox Hall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile,



Contemporary sounds

MercyMe, FEE, and Jonny Diaz, American contemporary Christian performers, will be in concert at NorthRidge Church in Plymouth Township at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15. Tickets are \$30 (artist circle) and \$25 reserved seating. Tickets are on sale. Call (734) 414-7777 or go to northridgechurch.com NorthRidge is at 49555 N. Territorial (southwest corner of North Territorial and North Ridge, south of M-14 and west of Beck Road).

Northville. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation. Call (248) 374-5920. Tennis continues from 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and 4-7 p.m. weekdays any time the weather is above 45 degrees, at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard, Livonia. Walking club meets at 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday in the Single Point office. All fitness levels welcome.

■ Single Place Ministry continues to meet Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program, at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Call (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org. Cost is \$5.

Soup kitchen
Learn about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Solanus Casey Center in Detroit by participating in its "Day of Service" program. Dine with guests at the soup kitchen, tour the Earth Works urban garden, and take a self-guided tour of the

Solanus Casey Center, a spirituality center dedicated to the Capuchin friar who is credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. The minimum age is seventh grade and the maximum size of the group is 30. The day starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost. Lunch included. For information, send e-mail to crcrane@thecapuchins.org. To learn more about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, visit www.cskdetroit.org.

Support
■ A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available 10 a.m. to noon Saturday mornings at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. There are no requirements, this a service the church wants the community to be aware of and utilize if needed. Donations of nonperishable items also accepted for the cupboard.

■ Are you or someone you know struggling with depression, divorce, grief, addiction, relationship difficulties, or job loss? Real Life Church through its volunteers and partnerships with area ministries and professionals provides classes, seminars, care, support & recovery groups, counseling, and prayer to help you get through life challenges. Visit the Web site for details on current classes and groups offered as well as location, days and times www.realifeplymouth.com.

■ The Clothing Bank has moved to a new location west of Canton Christian Fellowship. Free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need is available 10 a.m. to noon the fourth Saturday of each month, at 41711 Joy Rd. Call (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org for information.
■ Overeaters Anonymous

meets 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Courtyard Room at Unity of Livonia Church, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia, and 7 p.m. Sundays, in Classroom 1 at the Marion Professional Building at St. Mary's Hospital, 14555 Levan at Five Mile, Livonia. (313) 387-9797. www.ooa.org

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

■ Take Off Pounds Sensibly, meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m. for this weight support group that encourages members to lose weight and keep it off. Call Margaret at (734) 838-0322.

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

■ Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Room 202 at Detroit World Outreach, 23800 W. Chicago, Redford. For more information, call (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244.

■ Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville offers Celebrate Recovery, a recovery program helping men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Child care is free, available by calling (248) 374-7400. Visit www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate.

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Auditions slated for models, singers

Want to model? How about sing? Or appear in films?

Two audition opportunities and a series of classes can get you closer to your goal.

If you're interested in fashion modeling, head to the open casting call today, Thursday, Sept. 3, at Stage 3 Productions, 27500 Donald Court in Warren. Sessions run noon-4 p.m. and 5-9 p.m., and are open to both men and women ages 14-30. No previous runway experience is required.

Women must be within 5 feet 8 inches and 5 feet 11 inches tall. Men must be between 5 feet 11 inches and 6 feet 3 inches tall. Models must attend the open call with a headshot and a full-body photo, although they need not be professional prints.

Women should wear a skirt, form-fitting top and high heels, while men should come dressed in fitted jeans and a fitted shirt. In addition to their headshot, models will be asked to fill out their sizes before the audition. Models selected at

the open call must attend a call back on the afternoon of Sept. 8 at The iGroup in Southfield. The finalist will be awarded spots on the runway for Fashion In Detroit and a one-year contract with The iGroup.

Fashion in Detroit will celebrate the work of national and local designers. Created by Joe Faris, Season 5 top-six finalist of Bravo's hit series Project Runway, the two-day inaugural event is positioned as the highlight between the New York and Los Angeles Fashion Weeks. The show will be held at the Detroit Zoo, 1-6 p.m., Oct. 1-2. For more about the event, visit www.fashionindetroit.com. For more about The iGroup, visit www.theigroup.com

Singers in grades 6-12, can learn new singing skills, make new friends and perform publicly through the Farmington Hills Youth Choir.

This year, the Youth Choir will rehearse and perform with the renowned Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings musicians at their "Holiday Brass" concert, and also

perform at the State Capitol in Lansing. Brian Christian, who holds a master's degree in music from the University of Michigan, directs the choir. He also teaches in Farmington Public Schools.

Fall auditions will be held Wednesday, Sept. 16 at the Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road. Open auditions will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m.; scheduled auditions will be earlier, from 5-6:30 p.m. Appointments for auditions can be made by calling the Cultural Arts Division at (248) 473-1857. Rehearsals will be held 4:30-6 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 23-Dec. 16, 4:30.

For younger singers, the new Farmington Hills Choraliers offers a non-audition opportunity for children in grades 2-5. This program will introduce younger singers to vocal techniques, sight reading, solo and group singing, with a performance at the end of the season. The class meets 4:30-6 p.m., Mondays, Sept. 21-Dec. 14 at Longacre House. Registration for the Choraliers is now open. Call the Cultural Arts Division at

(248) 473-1857 for registration information.

Both the Choraliers and the Youth Choir are open to residents and non-residents, with non-residents required to pay an extra \$5 fee. Half-year membership is \$75; full-year membership (fall to spring) is \$125.

Wayne State University's College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts is offering an intensive, "on your feet," workshop on auditioning for films. Auditioning for Feature, Commercial and Industrial Films provides 10 contact hours of coaching spread across four consecutive Saturdays and is offered Oct. 10, 17, 24 and 31.

Each Saturday, students perform mock auditions and receive coaching from professional actor and workshop instructor, Laurie Meeker (SAG/AFTRA/AEA).

"This is one-on-one training, rather than a group lecture setting," said Meeker. "Students gain effective techniques that enable them to prepare for and perform in professional film audi-

tions." Both sections of the workshop are open to a maximum of only 20 paid registrants.

"Getting cast in a professional film demands a considerably different approach and preparation than stage acting, namely the ability to present a skillful audition in 30 seconds," said CFPCA Associate Dean, Steve Peters. "This workshop is designed to provide that training, a how-to course in auditioning for three different kinds of job opportunities in the southeast Michigan market, feature films, commercials and industrial films."

Registration for Auditioning is \$195 (non-refundable), payable via credit card (with valid ID) or exact dollar amount in cash, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday at Wayne State University's CFPCA Linsell House (under Buildings at campusmap.wayne.edu). Registrations are being accepted on a first-paid, first-served basis. Payment deadline is Oct. 5. For more information contact David Romas at ac2942@wayne.edu or (313) 577-5448.

Monthly 'slam' open to wanna-be storytellers

If you have the gift of gab, check out WDET Detroit Public Radio's monthly Detroit Moth StorySLAM and put your storytelling skills to work.

You'll get a chance to tell your five-minute story — no notes scripts or cheat sheets allowed — on stage and possibly on the radio if your name is one of 10 randomly pulled from a hat at the monthly performance.

StorySLAMs will be held on the first Thursday of each month at Cliff Bells, 2030 Park in Detroit. Storytellers must share a tale based on true-life experience and on the evening's theme. Upcoming themes are firsts for Oct. 1, blunders for Nov. 5 and cars for Dec. 3.

After each story, three teams of judges, chosen from the audience, give a score. The teller with the highest score goes on to compete in the Detroit GrandSLAM alongside nine other local slam winners.

The Moth is a non-profit organization dedicated to the art of storytelling. Since its inception in 1997,

countless people have listened to more than 3,000 stories told by people from all walks of life, from Moby, Sam Shepard, Ethan Hawke, and Lili Taylor to a fire fighter, pickpocket, and a hot dog-eating champion. Interest in The Moth's concept continues to grow, with sold-out crowds for every event in New York and Los Angeles.

Tickets for the Detroit StorySLAMs are \$5 at the door. Doors open at 7 p.m. and stories start at 7:30 p.m.

The Moth Radio Hour, a limited-run radio series featuring storytellers recorded at Moth events, will air on WDET, 101.9 FM, in the weeks leading up to the StorySLAM's Detroit debut. Listen for it at 7 p.m. Fridays, starting Sept. 4 and 4 p.m. Saturdays, starting Sept. 5. The series will be rebroadcast the week of the StorySLAM debut — Sept. 28-Oct. 2 — at 7 p.m.

For detailed guidelines on how to participate at a MothSLAM, either as a storytelling contestant or a judge, go to www.themoth.org/storyslams_participate.

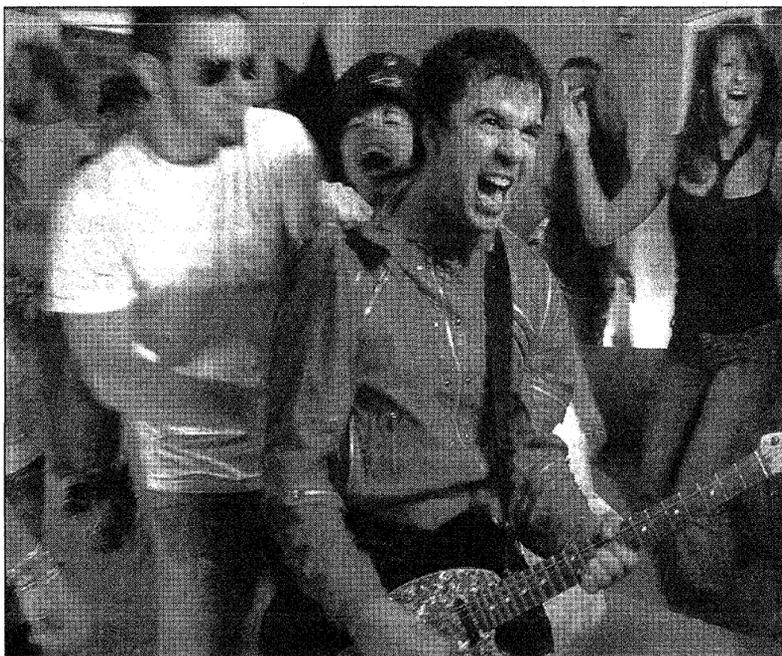
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The Film Office approves all submissions before posting them on the Web site, and reserves the right to withhold or correct any submissions. There is no guarantee that a submission will be used. For questions, call (800) 477-3456, fax (517) 241-0867 or e-mail info@michigan.org.



Rockin' weekend

Guitarist JTX is among the musicians performing at the four-day Arts, Beats and Eats festival this weekend in downtown Pontiac. The event includes musical performances, including appearances by Candlebox and Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, a cafe featuring Michigan-inspired menu items, children's activities and a juried fine arts show. Hours are 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday, Sept. 4, 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 5-6 and 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday, Sept. 7. For more information, visit www.artsbeatsseats.com or call (248) 334-4600.

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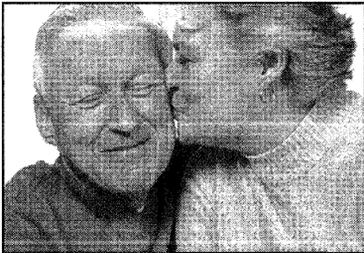
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Time/Date: Sept. 11-Oct. 17
Location: 4719 Woodward Avenue, in the Detroit Cultural Center
Details: "Landscape - A Modern Sequel" with works by Yoriko Cronin, Andrew Krieger, Nicole Macdonald, Catherine Peet, George Rahme, and Corine Smith. Meet the artists at a reception, 6-9 p.m., Sept. 11. Free
Contact: (313) 832-8540 or visit www.detroitartistsmarket.org

Eastern Michigan University

Time/Date: Elements of Photography, Sept. 3-Oct. 2, Coping with the Unknown, Sept. 8-Oct. 2
Location: Photography in the University Art Gallery, 900 Oakwood on EMU's Ypsilanti campus; Coping in the Ford Gallery, in Ford Hall, north of Cross Street at Normal Street on EMU campus
Details: Photography exhibit features work of nationally and internationally acclaimed photographers. Artist reception is 4-6 p.m., Sept. 9. Coping shows the work of Joe Meiser and Adrian Hatfield. Artist reception is 4-6 p.m., Sept. 10.
Contact: (734) 487-0465 or e-mail to jlockel@emich.edu

Farmington Hills City Gallery

Time/Date: "Studies of Place and Views of Space" through Sept. 25
Location: Costick Center at 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Works by Rachel Reynolds and Robert Zahorsky
Contact: (248) 473-1856

Holocaust Memorial Center

Time/Dates: 4-6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 6, wine and cheese reception for "Portraits of Zinkov," an exhibit of compelling paintings by Alan Zola Schulman
Location: 28123 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills
Details: The portraits in this eight-week exhibit are based on the "Zinkover Memorial Book," a collection of Yiddish and Hebrew narratives with low-quality black and white photographs from the town of Zinkov, Ukraine
Contact: (248) 553-2400, ext. 23

Livonia City Hall

Time/Dates: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 2-30
Location: On Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road, in Livonia
Details: The Livonia Artist Club exhibits paintings, colored pencil, collage, pastels and photography of approximately 25 artists; the club meets at 7 p.m., the third Monday of the month at the Civic Center Library in Livonia
Contact: For more information call Doree Dziobak at (734) 416-1774

Lotus Arts Gallery

Location: 995 West Ann Arbor Trail, downtown Plymouth

Northville Art House

Time/Date: Sept. 4-20, Northville Camera Club Exhibit, "A Moment in Time," opening reception 6-9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 4
Location: 215 W. Cady Street, downtown Northville
Coming up: See plein air artists painting 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 19, in the Art House Gardens
Contact: (248) 344-0497, or visit www.northvillearts.org

Village Theater at Cherry Hill

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday, Sept. 2-27
Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton
Details: Private collection of 19th century paintings on display; wine and cheese reception 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 10 with collectors David and Judy Johnson of Washtenaw County. Contact: (734) 394-5300 or visit www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater

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Time/Date: 1-6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13
Location: Dawn Farm, 6633 Stoney Creek Road, Ypsilanti
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Contact: (248) 327-0575; www.gocomedy.net

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Time/Date: Various show times Wednesday-Saturday evenings
Location: 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield
Details: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday
Contact: (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com

Jazz Cafe at Music Hall

Time/Date: 9 p.m. third Thursdays
Location: 350 Madison Ave., Detroit
Details: Show Up, and Go Up, open call, free
Contact: (313) 887-8532, www.jazzcafedetroit.com



Learn about baking with fruit at farmer's market

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

Shirley Chrisman has a surefire method for removing peach skin.

"When I peel peaches, to make easier, I hold them under hot running water for a few seconds. The peel will come off easier," said Chrisman, who works in the bakery and store at Kapnick Orchards, south of Tecumseh.

"Peaches are at their peak. We have wonderful peaches for baking, canning, cobblers, anything."

Kapnick is among the farms, greenhouses and orchards that sell fresh produce and plants at Garden City Farmer's Market from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. every Wednesday.

This Wednesday, Sept. 9, a representative from Kapnick Orchards will offer a seminar in "using fresh fruits in baking" at 10:30 a.m. at the market, located in the Garden City Town Center Plaza, Ford Road and Middlebelt. Market shoppers can bring a lawn chair and join the outdoor class.

Although Chrisman isn't scheduled to teach the session, she has a few tips of her own on using fresh fruit.

"You want it to be fresh and you want it to be ripe. Most peaches, when you buy

them, aren't ripe yet. They need to set out room temperature on newspaper and ripen."

She said peaches are perfect now for use in jams and jellies. She prefers freezer jam because little cooking is required.

"You just take your fruit and peel it and cut it up. You can mash it. I put it in the blender," she noted. "And then you need Sure-Jell. You stir the peaches in a bowl with sugar, add boiling water to the Sure-Jell mix and stir the Sure-Jell into the fruit. It makes the best strawberry and peach jam. Even cherry jam. It tastes like the fruit itself."

"I just put it in jars in freezer but you can put it in plastic containers."

Her recipe calls for two pounds of peaches, washed, peeled and cut into small pieces, four cups of sugar and one box of Sure-Jell. The sugar is stirred into the mashed two cups of fruit and allowed to stand for 20 minutes. The Sure-Jell mix goes into a cup of boiling water.

"You stir it constantly and then stir it into the fruit and sugar mix for three minutes."

She allows the mixture to cool off for 23 hours before packing it into freezer containers.

Garden City Farmer's Market is open Wednesdays through Oct. 28. Here's a

list of a few other local farm markets:

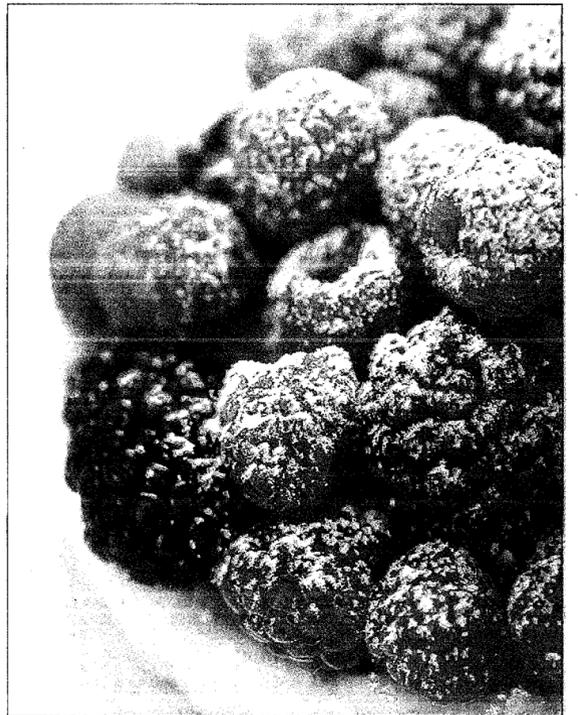
- 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, through Oct. 25, 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton. Home grown foods and hand-made goods, including vegetables, fruits, herbs, bulbs, grains, meats, plants, honey, syrup and more. (734) 398-5570 ext.5

- 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturdays. Season ends in October. Located at The Gathering across from Kellogg Park, next to the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth. Fruits and vegetables, cut flowers, plants, fresh bread, baked goods and garden crafts. Most vendors are Michigan growers and producers. (734) 453-1540

- 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturdays, through Oct. 10, at Wilson Barn, 29350 W. Chicago Road, Livonia. Fruits, vegetables, flowers, jewelry, handmade crafts, bamboo plants, garden art, homemade honey and more. www.wilsonbarn.com

- 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sundays through Sept. 27, at the Marquee, located in the town hall complex, 15145 Beech Daly, Redford. (313) 387-2771

- 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, through Nov. 21, at the Sundquist Pavilion in Riley Park, located on Grand River Ave., between Power and Farmington Road, in downtown Farmington. www.downtownfarmington.org



CITY BITES

Dine & Dash

Garden City — Visit Amantea's Restaurant, Sports Venue Bar & Grill Albert's on the Alley, Rogala's and McDonald's all in one night during the 5th annual Dine & Dash, 6-10 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 15. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children under 10 years, \$18 for senior citizens and \$75 for a party of four and include a souvenir Dine & Dash shirt that doubles as your "ticket" for the evening.

Participants will take bus transportation to visit all of the participating restaurants, which will serve free appetizers and in some cases offer live entertainment.

The event is a sell-out every year. To order tickets, call the Chamber of Commerce office at (734) 422-4448.

Festival foods

Plymouth — If the phrase "all you can eat" is your siren's song, you won't want to miss the 4th Annual AM Rotary Spaghetti Dinner 4-8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12 in the northeast corner of Kellogg Park, during Plymouth's annual Fall Festival. Eat at the "Italian Street Cafe" in the park and enjoy the music while dining or carry out. Tickets are \$8 in advance at C. L. Finlan Insurance, Monroe Bank in Plymouth, New Liberty Bank, the Plymouth Symphony Offices, and Travel Leaders in the Kroger Shopping Center. Or \$9 at the door. Kids 2-12 pay \$4. Kids under 2 eat for free. Call Kate Rosevear at (734) 455-5810 for tickets or more information.

Make sure to leave room for the Rotary Club's Annual Chicken

BBQ on Sunday, Sept. 13 at the park. The club will fire up the grills from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., serving in the park and sending take-out orders from West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trail. Advance tickets are \$10, available from Horton Plumbing, 1382 W. Main Street. Or buy tickets on-site for \$12 from Rotary Ticket Booths located at Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street and Penniman and Main Street.

If pancakes are your preference, head the Kiwanis Club's annual breakfast, 7-11:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, across from Kellogg Park and next to the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth. Pay \$5 in advance or \$6 on site at the festival ticket booth on Main at Penniman. Call Jim Grutza at (734) 216-2858 for advance tickets.

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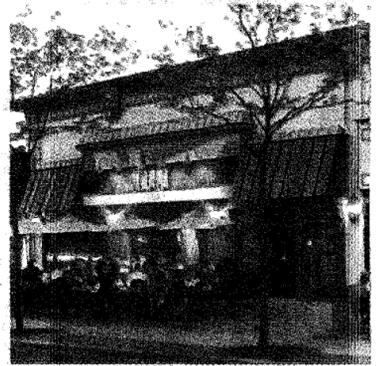


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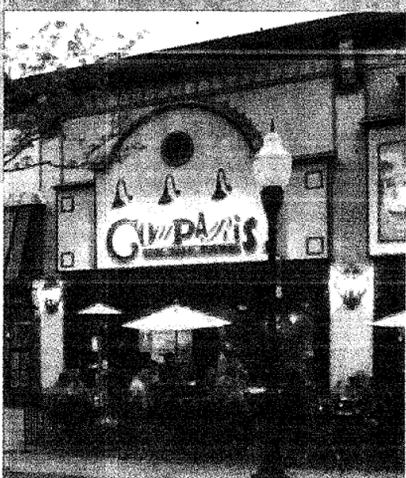
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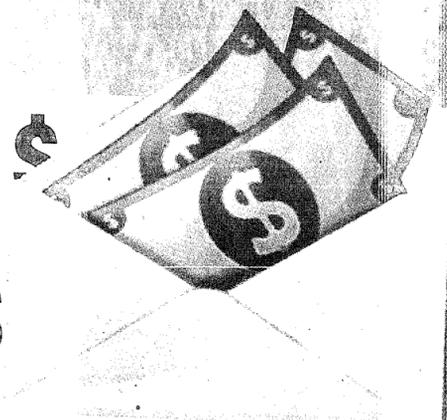
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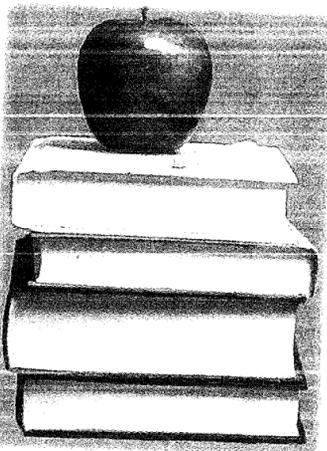
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Preservation Wayne has friends beyond Detroit

BY JULIE BROWN
O&E STAFF WRITER

Tiger Stadium in Detroit may be long gone, but members of Preservation Wayne believe in saving the city's other historic buildings. They have a lot of allies from Detroit's suburbs.

"Oh, definitely," said Karen Nagher, executive director of Preservation Wayne. "More than 50 percent of them are (suburban dwellers). The memories, for one thing."

Founded in 1975, Preservation Wayne's mission is to preserve, promote and protect neighborhoods and buildings that define Detroit's character. The group began as a campus organization at Wayne State University, and has been an independent corporation since 1988.

Redford resident Nagher noted suburban dwellers often grew up in the city, or their parents did. "The architecture's definitely part of it." The Saturday morning and Tuesday evening tours draw well, including some folks in their 50s who may move back downtown.

"They don't have to drive out to, say, Rochester" after attending city events, she said of those who may take a small condo in the city. The condo can be used by friends as well.

"There's a lot going on in Detroit," said Nagher. Members and staff are proud of the Honor Award of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The membership, volunteers and staff address issues of urban planning and historic rehabilitation through many services and activities. The best known are the Detroit Heritage Tours including the city's Historic Theater District, downtown, Eastern Market, the Midtown area, New Center, Auto Heritage and Cultural Center.

Tours provide historic information and offer stories on what makes Detroit unique. They also address issues of current development in Detroit. Tours were named the "Best Walking Tours in Detroit" by *Metro Times* in 2003.

The recent annual theater tour filled up, included many repeat visitors, Nagher said. The tour includes the Fox,

Fillmore (former State), former Oriental, Michigan (now a parking garage), Opera House where lunch is also served, Music Hall, and the Gem Century, a small theater by Hockeystown.

The group also does Fisher Building tours including its theater, depending on the status of stage productions. "The Fisher Building is a beautiful place," she said.

The organization is doing some custom tours, with components of each tour. Some groups have their own buses.

Preservation Works! workshop forums are often presented on historic rehabilitation and adaptive use to help put "unemployed" buildings back to work. Workshops are produced in partnership with banks, development firms, planning organizations and city agencies.

Preservation Wayne has worked with the Detroit Public Schools' Art Centered Education and is doing more with students, she said. Members and staff have participated with the Michigan Opera Theatre's Learning at the Opera House series, and cooperate with other organizations sharing common interests, such as Friends of the Book Cadillac (and now-gone Madison-Lenox Hotels), Detroit Synergy, and the Detroit Metro Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Nagher also cites the University Cultural Center Association, which focuses on the Midtown area.

Preservation Wayne is going through some struggles growing its membership, Nagher said, with nearly 400 households and businesses as members. "We can always use more volunteers." Volunteers don't just lead tours, but also help with office work, publicity, Web site and more. "There's plenty going on here."

Preservation Wayne's internship program offers training in the many aspects of historic preservation management. The organization's services and benefits include a referral service of restoration specialists and suppliers and assistance for historic renovation projects. An annual awards event honors outstanding projects, organizations and people in the city's historic development community.



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Few preservation battles in Detroit have reached the level of the failed attempt to save a corner of Tiger Stadium.

Nagher worked for NBD in training and development, and the bank was the primary sponsor of an arts festival at that time. She learned of decent opportunities. "I jumped at that and that was it."

That was some 20 years ago. The organization's been

in its current building some 34 years. It began as a Wayne State University grassroots effort of students to save that building when an apartment building went in next door.

The house was saved and an organization grew. "That's the whole thing about old buildings, adaptive reuse," she

said. "There's some good stuff going on around here."

Preservation Wayne is governed by a volunteer board of directors and is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

Offices are located in one of the hands-on restoration projects, the historic David Mackenzie House, home of the founder of Wayne State University. It is at 4735 Cass Ave., Detroit 48202. The phone is (313) 577-3559, the fax (313) 577-7666, the Web site www.preservationwayne.org.

Revenue sources for Preservation Wayne are membership dues; private, corporate and foundation donations; fees for services, workshops and tours; the annual auction and awards dinner; and merchandise sales. The organization partners with others on legislation, she added.

Nagher's home is from the early 1950s, and she noted those buildings, including commercial ones, are now on the cusp for historic preservation.

Condo mortgage standards stricter

Q: I am a new developer of a condominium and I am wondering what the recent changes are regarding rules on condominium loans.

A: Recently, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have tightened standards for mortgages on new condominiums. In March of 2009, Fannie Mae said it would no longer guarantee mortgages on condominiums and buildings where fewer than 70 percent of the units have been sold, which was up from 51 percent. Fannie Mae also won't purchase mortgages

in buildings where 15 percent of owners are delinquent on condominium association dues or while one owner has more than 10 percent of the units.

Freddie Mac has apparently implemented similar procedures. Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have also

boosted fees on mortgages for condominiums. Buyers without a minimum of 25 percent down payment have to pay closing cost fees equal to 0.75 percent of their loan, regardless of their credit score. However, Fannie Mae said it would drop that fee in August 2009 for cooperative apartments and detached condominiums. Obviously, it is important to check with your lending institution before you commence construction. These new rules make it even more important to vigorously enforce collection policies in every community association. FHA requirements should also be reviewed.

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

Q: We are a first-time homebuyer, and are wondering if we can take the tax credit on the purchase of our principal residence through the use of a land contract?

A: Although it is not certain, the provision of the Internal Revenue Code in question defines a "purchase" to which the credit applies as "any acquisition" with certain exceptions that are not relevant. Under Michigan law, a land contract is an acquisition since the purchaser gets equitable title to the property. The courts in Michigan have also found that the rights accruing to holders of equitable title in Michigan are substantially the same as rights granted to fee title holders. For example, equitable title obtained pursuant to a land contract by a vendee can be bought, sold or mortgaged by the vendee. You are best advised, of course, to get an opinion from your CPA or tax attorney.

HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded May 26-29, 2009, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

8733 Buffalo Dr	\$105,000
4800 Fairgrove Ln	\$242,000
1975 Four Oaks	\$137,000
4532 Marcello Dr	\$182,000
8450 Pine Cove Dr	\$195,000
Farmington	
21452 Chestnut Ln	\$154,000
33911 Macomb Ave	\$289,000
Farmington Hills	
30989 Cedar Creek Dr	\$165,000
27948 Green Willow St	\$155,000
29660 Middlebelt Rd	\$80,000
29555 Pond Ridge Rd	\$250,000
28197 Ouail Hollow Rd	\$45,000
Keego Harbor	
1551 Cass Lake Rd	\$160,000
Lathrup Village	
18521 Dolores Ave	\$120,000
Milford	
1061 Eagle Nest Dr	\$225,000
2601 Old Plank Rd	\$260,000
1055 Woodvale Ct	\$293,000
Northville	
205 Baseline Rd	\$495,000

1130 Concord Ct	\$104,000
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43026 Ashbury Dr	\$350,000
41949 Borchard Dr	\$300,000
21729 Chase Dr	\$339,000
50861 Drakes Bay Dr	\$605,000
23150 Inverness Ct	\$476,000
22210 Pondview	\$72,000
24166 Trafalgar Ct	\$400,000
22734 Waycroft Dr	\$300,000
Orchard Lake	
5502 Garden Ter	\$183,000
4977 Hickory Pointe Dr	\$325,000
Oxford	
176 Beaumont Ct	\$183,000
480 E Peninsular Ct	\$216,000
Rochester	
1602 Boulder Ct	\$280,000
894 Loggers Cir	\$319,000
Rochester Hills	
1357 Arbor Creek Dr	\$279,000
304 Coldiron Dr	\$140,000
3411 Connors Dr	\$53,000
771 Fieldstone Dr	\$185,000

1053 Hickory Hill Dr	\$237,000
3840 Hidden Creek Ct	\$190,000
645 Langley Rd	\$525,000
415 Meadow Ln	\$78,000
3722 Winding Brook Cir	\$200,000
South Lyon	
26781 Daria Cir E	\$80,000
26140 Daria Cir W	\$80,000
22200 Quail Run Cir	\$110,000
1030 Shetland Dr	\$200,000
Southfield	
29902 Bermuda Ln	\$93,000
19003 Green Spruce Ln	\$41,000
24545 Harden Ave	\$88,000
28755 Stuart Ave	\$39,000
17409 W 13 Mile Rd	\$120,000
Troy	
5909 Clearview Dr	\$550,000
6453 Eisey Dr	\$320,000
6773 Michael Dr	\$50,000
2576 Rainbow Dr	\$138,000
3459 Tothill Dr	\$251,000
834 Trombley Dr	\$260,000
3142 Wolverine Dr	\$140,000

Walled Lake	
28202 Chesapeake Cir	\$120,000
2148 Hidden Meadows Dr	\$30,000
103 Sandy Ln	\$170,000
Waterford	
1242 Bielby St	\$91,000
3816 Covert Rd	\$210,000
4225 Farmer Ave	\$5,000
310 Leota Blvd	\$36,000
West Bloomfield	
6636 Alderley Way	\$245,000
2019 Bordeaux St	\$117,000
5862 Darb Lake Dr	\$280,000
6580 Noble Rd	\$160,000
4493 Stoneview	\$370,000
5652 Stratford Dr	\$190,000
6606 Windmill Ln	\$182,000
White Lake	
9303 Beechcrest St	\$43,000
9213 Camelot St	\$152,000
9711 Cedar Island Rd	\$132,000
9006 Gladys St	\$63,000
745 Lakeview Dr	\$119,000

HOMES SOLD-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of May 18-22, 2009, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

14100 Hix St	\$135,000
34044 La Moine St	\$99,000
9865 Laurel St	\$86,000
31588 Merriwood Park Dr	\$99,000
29537 Oakley St	\$140,000
15355 Sunset St	\$120,000
18077 University Park Dr	\$85,000
Northville	
47700 Blue Heron Dr S	\$310,000
18017 Cascade Dr	\$210,000
41855 Pon Meadow Dr	\$220,000
39473 Springwater Dr	\$118,000
Plymouth	
451 Ann St	\$360,000
525 Byron St	\$172,000
11757 Curran Ct	\$289,000
1450 Maple St	\$440,000
14353 Northville Rd	\$77,000
9401 Pineview Dr	\$311,000
11377 Sandalwood Dr	\$405,000
46700 Strathmore Rd	\$260,000
Redford	
15534 Dixie	\$24,000
11323 Hazelton	\$70,000
8931 Leverne	\$79,000
9066 Mercedes	\$68,000
25567 W Seven Mile Rd	\$45,000
Westland	
8143 Liberty Blvd	\$90,000
34411 Parkgrove Dr	\$124,000
34049 Shawnee St	\$85,000

Canton	
7759 Admiralty Dr	\$218,000
43525 Argonne Ct	\$143,000
46007 Bartlett Dr	\$170,000
7024 Copper Creek Cir	\$85,000
622 Filmore St	\$246,000
42121 Hartford Dr	\$158,000
1542 Lasalle Rd	\$420,000
42311 Metairie Dr	\$170,000
44447 Newburyport Dr	\$63,000
280 Savannah Dr	\$195,000
43336 Silverwood Dr	\$195,000
6912 Willow Creek Dr	\$160,000
Garden City	
28953 Marquette St	\$22,000
31255 Sheridan St	\$107,000
Livonia	
28686 Bayberry Park Dr	\$63,000
36132 Brookview Dr	\$145,000
36960 Clarita St	\$298,000
14047 Fairway St	\$149,000
33013 Hees St	\$117,000

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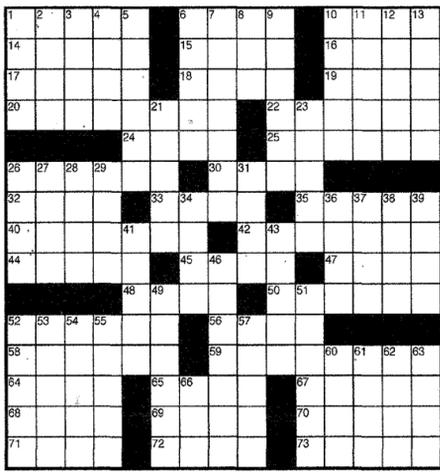
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SBF, 36, 5'4", 160lbs, brown/brown, drama-free, disease-free, looking for SBFWM, 35-60, to talk to. I like movies, music, hanging out, travel, having fun. **2317137**

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Bright, spunky, pretty SBF, 47, educator, outgoing, pretty eyes, wanting to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-63, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. **2230694**

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Voluptuous SBF, 42, would like to meet a nice, serious SBF, 35-50, who would like to become acquainted with a woman and who is ready, willing, and able to commit. **2273603**

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SBF, 47, 5'4", likes action movies, swimming, dancing, plays, outdoors, just having fun. Seeking SBF, 45-55, for friendship or more. **2289161**

PETITE AND CUTE
SBF, 35, great sense of style, very friendly, would like to meet a SBF, 36-45, who will love me for me. **2294943**

THAT SPECIAL ONE
SBF, 39, enjoys movies, walks in the park, picnics, just chilling. Looking for SBF, 39-45, for possible relationship. **2296026**

LET'S TALK SOON!
I am 52", in my 60s, brown hair, brown eyes, WLM "taff" well-groomed, neat, 60-74 SBFWM, who likes to travel, dine, exercise, dining out, exercise etc. Is this you? **22982308**

LET'S GET TOGETHER
SBF, 54, 5'3", N/S, enjoys life's simple pleasures. Seeking SBFWM, 49-62, N/S, for friendship or more. **2282444**

OUTGOING
BF, 24, student, looking for BM, 35-45, to go out and have fun with. Friendship first, hopefully leading to LTR. **2292940**

PRETTY EYES
SBF, 33, voluptuous in all the right places, enjoys life, long walks, intellectual conversation. Seeking SM, 30-50, similar interests. **2298970**

CALLING ALL GOLFERS!
WYWF, 62, seeking golfing best friend, 52-70, must be honest, N/S, and active. Looking for LTR, don't delay call now. **22976914**

WEST SIDE BEAUTY
Professionally employed in the beauty field. SBF, 53", slender, 54, seeks a gentleman, 44-52, HWP, many interests including music, movies, cultural events, camping, and most things outdoors, light smoker, for friendship leading to relationship. Sincere responses only. **2293791**

SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP
Attractive SBF, 53", 125lbs, fun-loving blonde, retired, would love the companionship of a pleasant gentleman, 65-75. **22891247**

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Easygoing DWF, early 50s, would like to meet a really nice WM, 50-65, with the same qualities, minimal baggage, to share the ups and downs of life. Seeking possible LTR. **2279171**

ACTIVE WOMAN
SBF, 38, dark hair and eyes, N/S, social drinker, likes bowling, tennis, sports, shopping, cooking and baseball. Call me if you would like to meet for coffee, let me know. **2262161**

GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR?
WF, 48, 5'3", brown/brown, has pets, N/S, great sense of humor, looking for WM, 45-55, who likes dining out, museums, movies, reading and more, to do things with. **2280581**

HONEST AND CARING
Sensative SBF, 41, 5'5", likes Ben Jovi and Van Halen, spaghetti dinners, gardening, hockey and baseball. Call me if you would like to meet for coffee, let me know. **2291717**

HOMEBOY SEEMS SAME
SBF, 44, 5'2", 165lbs, black hair, brown eyes, light complexion, N/D, N/S, enjoys movies, bowling, dining, plays, concerts, reading. Seeking SBF, 39-51. **2284968**

ARE YOU THE ONE?
SF, 41, 5'4", dark complexion, brown eyes, short hair, looking to meet an honest, loyal, funny man, 37-55, to spend a lot of time together. **2289647**

MUSICAL GIRL
Christian WF, 19, enjoys playing guitar, singing, going to church and more. Looking for SM, 10-25, who enjoys the same things. **2292258**

VERY DOWN-TO-EARTH
SBF, 37, 5'5", 125lbs, slim build, enjoys nice walks in the park, movies, bowling, basketball games. Seeking SBF, 30-43. **2299111**

ARE WE A MATCH?
SBF, 39, very shapely, N/S, light drinker, very independent, loves movies, sports, shopping, cooking, reading. Seeking SBF, 35+, very independent, who enjoys life, movies, etc. **2299783**

LADY OF QUALITY
SBF, 30-something, 5'7", last-back, down-to-earth, seeks open, honest, loyal, faithful professional man, 35-55, for LTR. No games, race open. **2310218**

TAKE A CHANCE ON ME
SWPF, 48, educated, HWP proportionate, seeks educated, professional male, 40-55, N/S, with sense of humor. Let's meet for coffee or a drink. **2311355**

SEARCHING FOR A MAN...
40-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 47-year-old who's bright, spunky and pretty. Only Jewish men please. **22962317**

CURVACEOUS
SBF, 47, 5'7", 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys r&B music, jazz, dancing, dining out, blues, sports. Seeking SBF, 21-42, with similar interests, for friendship first, possibly more. **2282605**

DRAMA-FREE
SBF, 48, 5'7", 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys R&B jazz, dancing, dining, blues, sports. Seeking serious SBF, 27-40, Are we compatible? **2310533**

ONE GOOD WOMAN LEFT
SBF, 47, 5'7", full-figured, N/S, likes roller skating, canoeing, exercise, theater, travel. Seeking a gentleman, 45-70, who is healthy, fun-loving, financially secure, looks decent. **2287395**

SEEKING STRONG BM
Can you handle me? SBF, mid-40s, healthy and beautiful, seeks strong, hard BM, 40-62, who knows how to handle his own business. I'm laid-back, gentle, soft. **2295568**

HONEST & DOWN-TO-EARTH
Cute, outgoing woman, 40, loves animals, the outdoors. Seeking honest, clean, honorable, compassionate gentleman, 40s-early 50s, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. **2295421**

SEEKING A MATURE MAN
Attractive SBF, 36, N/S, N/Drugs, would like to meet responsible, happy SBF, 25-50, to enjoy life together. **2300880**

SEEKING MR. RIGHT
SBF, 37, 5'5", nurse, mother of three, Christian values, N/S, social drinker, seeks SM, 32-50, race open, with similar values. **2310924**

SEEKING A GENTLEMAN
WF, 62", blonde/brn, would like to meet a young-of-heart WM, 40-70, to hang out with, date and have a good time with. **2310164**

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
DWF, 50, 6'3", full-figured, N/S, loving, independent, intelligent, down-to-earth, great sense of humor, enjoys going out and romantic evenings at home. Seeking S/DFM, 50+, with similar qualities and interests, who wants to enjoy the rest of life with no drama. **2311753**

SOPHISTICATED LADY
SBF, middle-aged, attractive, laid-back yet serious-minded and responsible, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-65, N/S, responsible, good sense of humor, with good values and morals, for serious relationship. **2207254**

PLUS-SIZED LADY...
34, 200lbs, sexy single mom, looking for SM, 37+, for friendship and dating leading to LTR. Is this you? Call me! **2217234**

VERY CUTE
SBF, 58, 5'3", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 46-60, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. **2113198**

I NEED A LOVE...
to keep me happy. Attractive, classy, delightful, charming WF, 49, no kids, seeks SBF, 45+, no kids, N/S, fun, loving, caring. **2268059**

ARE YOU SEEKING?
DWF, 60s, 5'2", Italian, brunette, attractive, well-read, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes theater, travel, dining, fitness. Seeking to meet N/S WM, 60-72, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dating. **2263066**

KEEP COOL
SBF, 19, 5'3", looking for cool, down-to-earth, attractive SBF, 16-25, who keeps it real. **2287596**

WARM SMILE
SBF, 21, N/S, looking for SM, 21-40, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk and get to know each other! **2287187**

PRETTY COMIC BOOK NERD
SBF, 21, red hair, blue eyes, 5'10", 160lbs, mature bodymind, looking for a lonely handsome man, 20-30, race open, clean-cut, open-minded, who can make me laugh and who is witty. **2292913**

GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR
SBF, 27, mother, enjoys swimming, walking, nature, being outdoors. Seeking similar SBF, 23-45, for companionship. **2282578**

SEARCHING FOR YOU
Mature woman would like to meet a gentleman who wants to enjoy life and have a good time. I know what I would like to do for the rest of my life. **2319516**

MATURE MAN WANTED
SBF, 33, 5'4", 115lbs, caramel complexion, brown eyes, short blonde hair, wears glasses. Seeking tall, muscular SBF, 25-40, who enjoys bookstores, movies, dining, water. **2287856**

I NEED LOVE
Fun-loving, down-to-earth, outgoing, smart SBF, 20, loves having fun. Seeking SBF, 18-30, who shares my lust for life. **2300110**

SEEKING SBF COMPANION
I'm short and cute, brown eyes, black hair, honest, funny, good cook, very sincere. I hope to find a SBF companion to enjoy things with. Preferably 55-75. Life is too short - have fun with me. **2302311**

SEEKING LOVING KINDNESS?
SBPF, 55, 5'4", interested in developing new friendships, maybe more. Seeks energetic SM, 40-65, N/S, who loves reading, midnight picnics, walking, and exciting conversations. Must have good SOH and self-worth. **2282616**

TAKE A CHANCE
SBPF looking for SBF, 45-57, with no children at home, who likes to have a good time. I enjoy going to movies, dining out, the park, outdoor and indoor activities. Let's develop a friendship first, possibly leading to more. **2306228**

MUST LOVE THE LORD
SBF, 18, 5'8", gospel singer, God-fearing, looking for similar SBF, 18-27, for possible relationship. **2311174**

LOOK NO FURTHER
SBF, 18, 5'4", long black hair, light brown eyes, wants to meet that SBF, 18-22, who is tired of playing games. **2311011**

DBF SEEKS LTR
Attractive, thick BF seeks LTR with totally unattached male, 48-62, with whom to spend some quality time. Let's do dinner, movies, bowling, golf, tennis, swimming, or just kick back and watch a DVD. **2310738**

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

LOOKING FOR YOU
SBF, N/S, no children, in search of a SBFWM, 23-35, for friendship, maybe more. Call me! **2320625**

CUTE
SM, 24, 6'11", caramel complexion, 175lbs, muscular, short hair, full mustache and goatee, DID-free, no drama, no children, wants to meet a female for possible relationship. **2320652**

EASYGOING
SBF, 38, 6'4", likes movies, jazz concerts, walks in the park, quiet moments at home, playing pool. Looking for SF, 35-45. **2318936**

LET'S ENJOY LIFE TOGETHER
SBF, 73, 5'9", enjoys golf, the race track, galleries, going out for a drink. Looking for SBF, 60-80, with the same interests. **2318713**

LET'S MAKE A CONNECTION
SM, medical professional, 51, courteous, looking for single lady, 35-45, with whom to spend some quality time. Let's do dinner, movies, bowling, golf, tennis, swimming, or just kick back and watch a DVD. **2310972**

ROMANTIC MAN
BM, 68", 180lbs, brown eyes, wavy black hair, likes working out, bowling, dining out, movies and treating a woman with respect. Looking for a BF, 44-49, for dating and romance. **2320053**

NON-JUDGEMENTAL
Athletic, down-to-earth SM, 58", 205lbs, muscular build, great sense of humor, into walking out, would like to meet a like-minded woman, 21-46, who has goals in life, for dating, possibly leading to more. **2320087**

STRONG BUILD
SM, 61", very energetic, loves meeting new people, travel and more. Would like to meet a nice, down-to-earth, fun woman to spend time with. **2320397**

HARD-WORKER
SBF, 46, 5'5", short brown hair, grown legs, into music, playing guitar, travel. Looking for similar SF, 35-45. **2296087**

A GREAT GUY
Good-natured, good-looking SBF, 41, energetic, versatile, fun, passionate, into boating, casinos, flea markets. Seeking conversation SBF, for conversation and connection. **2176478**

CUTE, HANDSOME
Wise and kind SBF, 46, enjoys simplicity, art fairs, flea markets, festivals. Seeking the company of a lady with similar interests. **2200459**

A SPECIAL GUY
DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DWF, wise sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. **2295446**

LOOK NO FURTHER
SBF, 24, 6'1", athletic build, dark complexion, looking for a cool, laid-back, fun and outgoing SBF, 21-29. **2319532**

LOOKING FOR MZ RIGHT
WMM, 45, 5'11", 220lbs, is easygoing, fun-loving, enjoys a variety of activities, indoor/outdoor. Looking for LTR, with the right person. **2265340**

NO DRAMA
SBF, 36, 5'11", 165lbs, slim build, medium complexion, well-groomed, DID-free, N/D, spiritual, drama-free, no children, independent, romantic, college-educated, family-oriented, seeks cute, slim, down-to-earth female, 30-49. **2299975**

ARE YOU MISS RIGHT?
SBF, 42, 5'10", 225lbs, light-complexioned, from Detroit East Side, business owner, N/S, N/D, N/Drugs, no drama, homeowner, seeks strong woman, 25-35, who is sexy, determined, assertive and together. **2300038**

TALL, DARK, HANDSOME
SBF, 59, seeks quiet, artistically creative woman, 40-61, with a beautiful mind. I hope you are the right one! **2300709**

WINTER SPORTS
Single DWM, 42, 6'1", 218lbs, hardworking, easygoing guy, likes movies, bowling and winter sports. Looking for SBF, 35-42, for dating. **2301662**

POSITIVITY
SBF, 42, looking for positive, intelligent SF, 32-48, with no negativity in her life. Call, let's see if we click! **2301956**

OUTDOORSMAN
BM, 57", 165lbs, likes boating, swimming, basket ball, fishing and enjoying life. Looking for a very intelligent, nice, honest, easygoing female, 30-50, who likes to have fun. **2302424**

THE ONE FOR ME
SBF, 38, 5'8", athletic build, seeks attractive lady for dining, movies, taking walks, reading poetry and more. **2302899**

SEEKING A FRIEND
SBF, 40, 6'3", 240lbs, wants to meet a down-to-earth SBF, 35-42, who is easy to get along with, for friendship, maybe more. **2303036**

SBF SEEKS SBF
DWM, 37, N/S, no kids, looking for SBF, 46+, to get to know. I'm a cool dude who cooks and has a good job. **2303043**

WANT TO TALK?
Sexy SBF, 35, N/S, light brown eyes, long hair, looking for SBF, 18-24, to chat with. I like movies, dining, just chilling out. **2303045**

NOT A GAME PLAYER
SBF, 48, smoker, no children, searching for a special lady, 28-42, who doesn't play games with the outdoors, is honest, caring, loving. **2303068**

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU
WM would like to meet a nice woman, 20-55, to develop a relationship with hopefully, if interested, give me a call. **2303066**

THE ONE TO CALL
DM, 42, 5'8", 165lbs, enjoys all sports, bowling, walks in the park, quiet nights at home and barbecues. Looking for an attractive, honest lady, 21-29, to go out and have fun with. **2303275**

A LOT TO OFFER
SBF, 43, 5'9", 143lbs, grown children, enjoys fishing, boating, outings, working on cars. Seeking SBF, 21-45, for friendship first, maybe more. **2303815**

MOVING FORWARD
SBF, 39-years-old, 5'8", thin and fit, N/S, light-blue eyes, brown hair, open-minded and caring. Interests: film, music, and literature. Looking for friendship possibly leading to a more serious relationship. **2304387**

SEEKING REAL WOMAN
SM, 38, 6'2", brown/brown, likes cooking, dancing, watching sports and more. Looking for an easygoing female who is honest and secure. **2305548**

SEEKING LATIN LADY
WM, 63", dark/blue, with great sense of humor, likes sports, movies, concerts, dining out. Would love to meet a Hispanic female, 18-50, for dating, possibly more. **2308881**

SO WE MATCH?
SM likes skating, music, horseback riding, going to bars and spending time at home. Would like to meet a woman, 39-48, who is nice and likes going out. **2308942**

GENUINE NICE GUY
WM, 46, 6'1", blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker, honest, caring, compassionate and a great listener. Likes most kinds of movies, quiet times at home, music, travel and watching the Steelers play football. Seeking female, with similar qualities and values. Age, weight and race unimportant, just be a sincere person with Christian values. **2308812**

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN
SBF, 29, 5'9", 180lbs, blonde/blue, good-looking, great build, seeks funny SF, 18-45, easy to be with, who likes going out, bowling, movies, dining. **2308607**

CALL ME!
SBF, 45, likes sports, working out, cooking, bodybuilding. Looking for a similar lady for LTR. **2319016**

CAPRICORN
SBF, 51", 170lbs, medium complexion, likes sports, concerts and much more. Would like to meet a woman, 25+, who is easygoing and has a nice personality. **2318568**

I PROMISE THAT YOU...
won't be disappointed. SBF, 51", 180lbs, likes working out and spending time with that special person. Would like to meet a secure, goal-oriented woman, 20-46, with a nice personality. **2318591**

HAVE FUN WITH ME
SBF, 45, 5'11", 230lbs, brown/brown, N/S, N/Drugs, looking for SF, 30-65, race open, who enjoys walks, bike riding, intelligent conversation, board games, classic movies, dining out or cooking at home and romantic evenings at home. **2318819**

LET'S KEEP IT REAL
BM, 61", 185lbs, brown eyes, likes movies, concerts, cooking and much more. Would like to meet a secure, attractive, goal-oriented WBF, 21-45, for dating. **2318792**

WISHES DO COME TRUE
SBF, 6', 210lbs, short brown hair, short beard, seeking SBF, down-to-earth, easygoing, honest, nice, petite to plus-sized, 35-60. **2318936**

EASYGOING
Sharp, sociable SBF, 45, with good character and pleasant personality. Likes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. WLM SBF, for dating and fun times. **2187614**

FEMININE LADY WANTED
Attractive SBF, 48, 5'10", 130lbs, N/S, never married, loves outdoors, going to church, traveling, family time, candle light dinners, movies, long walks, holding hands, good conversation, seeking sweet, feminine lady, 30-50, for possible LTR. **2291990**

MAXIMUM RETURN ON...
your investment. SBF, 58", seeks mature, level-headed, down to earth female, 38-45, for fun, dating and possible LTR. **2293155**

LET'S GET GOING!
SBF, 40s, attractive, good shape, great listener, enjoys good conversation, friendship, spontaneous fun, and laughter, seeks personable SBF for dating and more. **2128302**

SINGLE, HANDSOME WM
Marketing professional, part-time personal trainer, tall, athletic, muscular, 6'2", 200lbs, 49, brown/blue, degreed, looking for an attractive woman, with a great personality, who is friendly, positive, active and fun. **2298284**

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Armada 734-662-8600
Armada Area - 34 mi & Romeo Plank Beautiful Country Location of very nice homes, 3 Bedrms, Brazilian Cherry Floors throughout, Crown Moldings Newly Recessed Lighting & New Low-E Glass windows (30725613) \$115,900



Farmington Hills 248-851-4100
MAGNIFICENT COLONIAL IN OLD FRANKLIN SUB 1/2 acre lot w/circular drive. Huge pool w/brick cabana, deck & sep. patio + large manicured yard for summer enjoyment. New roof, sliding windows. Island kitchen. (29088521) \$300,000



Green Oak 248-437-3800
Fabulous Find in Today's Buyer's Market! This colonial home with 1st flr den has lots of potential. Great h/m in great neighborhood. Beautiful back yard setting to enjoy. www.realestateone.com/29033034 (29033034) \$199,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Home with 3.9 acres. First floor laundry. Unfinished basement. Two car attached garage with side entry. Dining, living and family rooms. Library/study. (29017806) \$299,500



Redford 734-591-9200
If you have lg fam or need extra space this is for you. 5 BR, 3 Bth 2 Lav hme w/ LR, DR, FR, w/ door wall & wheelchair access. Lower level has fin rec rm, 1/2 bath & bar. Fenced bk yd w/shed & deck. Much more (29103106) \$159,900



Southfield 248-723-0055
LOVELY LORRAINE SUB Brick ranch w/ Three bedrooms, 1.5 baths, dining room, family room, brkfst rm, fin bsmt CA, 2 car att garage, fenced yd, deck (29109031) \$52,000



Auburn Hills 248-652-6500
GREAT HOME BY SCHOOL Well-maintained Colonial next to Elementary School! Fam Rm w/gas FR skylight, deck, hardwoods. Updated LR & bath. 6 mo old SS refig. Hm Warranty. A Great Buy! (29074705) \$109,900



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
ROLLING OAKS AREA HOME ON CUL DE SAC Open floor plan features large foyer, hardwood floors, new A/C, newer roof, bay windows & more. Enjoy parks, paths & walk to Forest Elementary. (28156564) \$297,500



Hartland 248-684-1065
Well maintained ranch. HDWD flrs thru-out; Living room w/FP; fin bsmt; deck; 2+car garage all on 6 treed acres. All appl. included & home w/tyl! 248-444-6480 (29103627) \$163,000



Northfield Twp. 248-437-3800
Just Listed! Huge lot across from private all sports Horseshoe Lake. Well kept ranch w/fireplace, ing kit & beautiful views out every window. www.realestateone.com/29109809 (29109809) \$139,000



Redford 248-348-6430
Custom Built Brick Ranch On A Triple Lot 2 separate living areas. 1st floor & walkout bsmt include their own kit, gas frplcs, full bar & bedrms. New Berber carpet, C/A & H/W/H. Deck & new glass blk win. (29105461) \$110,000



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) \$125,000



Auburn Hills 248-813-4900
Auburn Hills. What a great buy for a 3 bdrm, condo. All major repairs are done. Must see. 95 BLO. \$49,900. 248-813-4900. (29037103) \$39,900



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
KENDALLWOOD AT ITS FINEST! BIG & UPDATED Family room addition, 2 fireplaces, full partially finished basement. Updated kitchen w/new cabs, tile flr, stainless appl. New windows thru-out. Freshly painted. (29063626) \$225,000



Livonia 248-851-1900
GORGEOUS NEWER 4 BR UPDATED CONTEMPORARY Contemporary colonial among newer homes. Gourmet kitchen & appliances, granite & tile. Great room w/fireplace. 1st floor master w/jacuzzi. (29106629) \$290,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Distinctive Colonial In Camden Court Charming front porch, 3 BD 2.5 BAs. Large great rm w/gas FR. 9' ceilings on 1st floor formal dining. Spacious master suite w/WIC. Clean, neutral & move in ready (29044958) \$234,900



Redford 734-455-7000
"CAPE COD" CLASSIC! Top of the line move-in shape brick 3 BR "Cape Cod" in quiet, wooded setting. Redone kitchen, BA, windows, roof, furn, & much more! All appl., like new. Awesome! (29070531) \$102,500



Wayne 734-455-7000
OH ME, OH MY! Updates galore! kitchen, baths, trim, doors, roof, furnace, floors. 2 bedrms, 2 baths, basement, garage. (29004240) \$50,000



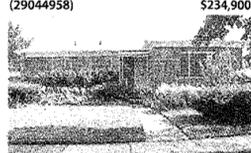
Belleville 734-455-7000
SPRAWLING BRICK RANCH - BELLEVILLE LAKE! 3 BR/2.5 BA brick ranch w/updates galore. Heated, built-in swimming pool, 2 FPs, huge lot, 2.5 car gar. All appliances stay! Everything's been done! Turn the key! (29095692) \$275,000



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED. BACKS WOODS, STREAM Move-in ready! New in 2008; roof, gutters, driveway, windows, sliding doors, updated plumbing. Entry level in-law suite w/kitchenette. 2 FPs. Gorgeous .66 acre yard. (29060849) \$221,000



Livonia 248-851-4100
UP NORTH SETTING! NICE HOME, 1.23 ACRE LOT Private & wooded w/hilly ravine & creek view. Large open great rm w/soaring ceiling & fireplace. 3 BR, 1.1 baths. New 3 car garage. Breakfast rm & kitchen w/HWF. (29093278) \$187,900



Oak Park 248-348-6430
Beautifully Maintained 3 bed, 2 bath brick ranch. Tear-off roof '08, sprinklers, bath & kitchen updates. Florida rm & fin bsmt. Lovely landscaping. Home warranty & all appliances inc. (29050648) \$158,000



Redford 734-284-5400
CLEAN, CLEAN CLEAN! Beautiful, updated bungalow in Redford. Full basement. Storage shed. Large Deck. All appliances. May need a short sale. Will consider a lease. (29112722) \$55,000



Webster 248-437-3800
Own Your Own Private Rustic Retreat. Snuggled on 10 acres amongst a wooded forest. Post and beam w/1st flr mstr. Detached rec. bldg w/wheat, full bath & huge patio. www.realestateone.com/29105905 (29105905) \$280,000



Birmingham 248-548-9100
BIRMINGHAM 1928 FIVE BR TUDOR Most classic features still intact. Wrought iron bannisters, ornate crown molding, new "slate" roof w/copper gutters & downspouts. Pebble tile, 4 frplcs. 621 (29012125) \$950,000



Farmington Hills 248-851-4100
UPDATED HOME. 1/3 ACRE OVERLOOKS COMMONS Great price for this great 4 BR 2.1 bath colonial in a choice location. Updated and in move-in condition with living room, family room & library. (29097462) \$212,000



Livonia 734-591-9200
Newer ranch w/open floor plan backing to commons & assoc fee includes lawn cutting & snow removal. open GR, 1st flr Indry, eat-in kitchen, mstr w/priv ceram bth, full bsmt, 3rd bdrm can be DR. New wndws t/o. (28065339) \$179,900



Oak Park 248-723-0055
GORGEOUS OAK PARK RANCH Renovated home shows like a model. Three bedrooms 1.5 baths, dining room, all appliances stay, fireplace in family rm, central air, basement. (29093954) \$112,500



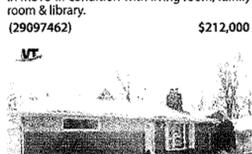
Romulus 734-455-7000
NEW CONSTRUCTION ON HALF AN ACRE is this 3 BR/2 BA ranch with a full basement and an attached 2 car garage, master suite, central air and custom kitchen. (29110379) \$149,900



West Bloomfield 248-723-0055
GORGEOUS CORNER LOT Spacious 4 BR Colonial w/ side entry 2 car garage. Over 3100 sqft. 2.2 baths, fireplace, dining rm, library, 1st flr lau, fin basement. (29080099) \$205,000



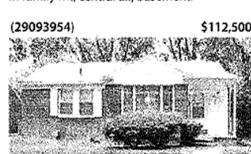
Birmingham 248-548-9100
NICE BRICK RANCH ON WIDE LOT 143x128 LR/DR w/beamed ceiling. Refin. hwdw flrs, Frplc in LR. FR. New granite kit w/all new appls. MBR w/new bath. 3 BR & 2 baths. 2 car att. gar. Lg bsmt. (29106613) \$399,000



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
KENDALLWOOD'S FINEST! Updates throughout. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. Finished basement, Florida room, great hardwoods. Outstanding lot, brick pavers. Outstanding Farmington schools. (29053749) \$180,000



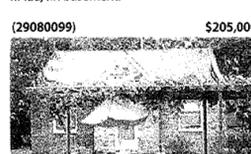
Livonia 734-591-9200
Location, Quality, Value & Charm! This 4 BR, 2.5 BA, brick colonial has it all. Lg FR w/FP, Formal DR, Updated: Kit, Elec Svc, C/A, Heating System, new carpet, fresh paint. Deck over looks lg det lot. (28067299) \$175,000



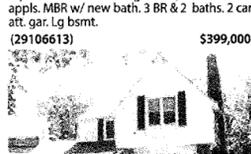
Oak Park 248-723-0055
TOTALLY REMODELED RANCH Three bedrooms, 1.5 baths, dining room, new cherry cabinets, granite counter tops, ceramic & HW floors, appliances, new windows, roof & more (29108168) \$79,900



Shelby Twp 248-723-0055
GREAT OPPORTUNITY/ GREAT LOCATION Four bedrooms, 3.5 baths, dining rm, great rm, dual fireplace, library, all appliances, 1st flr lau, fin walk-out bsmt, 3 car side entry garage (29108728) \$375,000



Westland 734-455-7000
NEED ROOM TO ROOM? This Westland home is perfect for you! Over a 1/4 of an acre, 3 car garage, 2 newer baths, basement, brick paver patio...Potential. Potential. Potential. (29084222) \$100,000



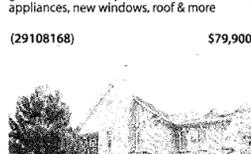
Dearborn 248-348-6430
Stunning Desirable Springwells Park Home Private courtyard setting & views of the golf course! Features new roof, siding, C/A, H/W/H, private deck kitchen w/breakfast bar. Very nicely finished basement. (29105750) \$170,000



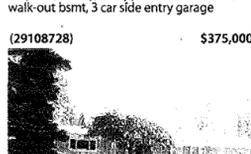
Farmington Hills 734-591-9200
MUST SEE! Loaded w/Character on .5 Acre Home redone from ground up! Newer roof, windows, plumbing, electrical, doors, flooring, kitchen, vinyl siding & updated Baths & more! Right out of a magazine! (29086569) \$174,900



Livonia 734-591-9200
Spacious Brick/Vinyl Tr-l-level Featuring a new gourmet kitchen with radiant floor, granite countertops, maple cabinets & more. Updated baths, fresh paint throughout. Near Livonia Rec Center (29082876) \$149,900



Pittsfield Twp 248-437-3800
Sharp, Move In Ready Condo! Located in Ann Arbor Schools. Upper ranch offering a giant mstr suite w/try ceilings FP & a W/I close. Spacious living area. www.realestateone.com/29111030 (29111030) \$99,900



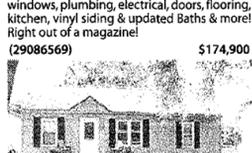
Shelby Twp 248-652-6500
Move In Ready! 3 BR/2 BA Ranch w/2 car extended mechanics garage. Updated KIT w/granite/hwdw flrs under carpet/new windows/fin bsmt/extensive landscaping/city water & sewer. (28076781) \$200,000



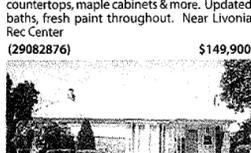
Westland 248-851-4100
CUTE 3 BEDROOM RANCH. NICE AREA! Close to everything. Home features family rm w/fireplace & doorwall leading to Florida rm on a large corner lot. 2 car garage w/space for extra parking. (29092685) \$99,900



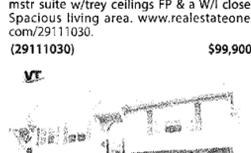
Dearborn 734-284-5400
LOVELY AND READY FOR A BUYER 3 Bedroom brick ranch. Natural oak flrs. Natural Fireplace. Finished basement w/ a bar, 2.5 car garage w/ remote. Custom deck & playscape. Lots of storage. (29063338) \$105,000



Farmington Hills 248-851-4100
SPARKLING & UPDATED RANCH W/3 CAR GARAGE Very large family rm, newer kitchen w/ stainless steel sink, tile backsplash. Organized closets. Large fenced yard. (29088195) \$129,900



Livonia 734-591-9200
SUPERB VALUE! 3 BR 1322 SQ FT RANCH Newly remodeled kitchen & bath, updated windows, hardwood floors, lovely bay window in LR. Large FR w/doorwall onto deck. Must see what home has to offer for price (29094868) \$109,000



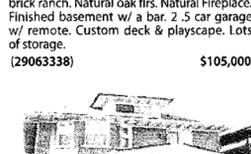
Plymouth 248-851-4100
SHARP END UNIT TOWNHOME Affordable living w/open floor plan & neutral decor. 2 BR, 2.1 bath, great room, family room. Private entry & 2 car attached garage w/direct access. Pool & tennis. (29098758) \$110,000



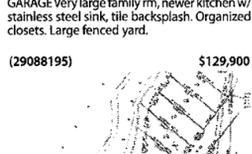
South Lyon 248-437-3800
The Search Is Over! Beautiful 3 br ranch. Replacement oak cabinets in kit. Newer furnace, hot water heater, A/C. Painted in todays colors. www.realestateone.com/29087920 (29087920) \$124,900



White Lake 248-684-1065
Colonial on large lot w/ pond & perennials. Large rooms w/ original HDWD flrs. Newer oak kit w/ ceramic flrs. Florida room. 1 yr home warranty incl. (29063688) \$159,900



Detroit 248-348-6430
Classic Historical 3 Story 4 Bed Brick Colonial with new 2008 features: roof, windows, attached deck, sliding, glass block win in BSMT. All appliances stay. Updated kitchen & gleaming hardwood floors. (28167996) \$70,000



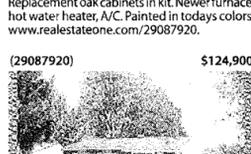
Farmington Hills 734-455-7000
Manistee River FT Buildable In Frederick! Build your home. min 800 sq ft. Great fishing, near Blue Bear snowmobile TR within 1/2 mile of property on paved road. Beautiful treed large lot on the water. (29115778) \$14,500



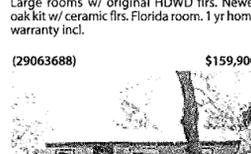
Livonia 248-851-4100
NEWER CONSTRUCTION. TONS OF UPDATES. 3 BR Features granite kitchen counters, HWF, 3.5 baths, finished bsmt w/full bath. MBR w/master bath & huge WIC. New deck, fenced lot. (29100427) \$90,000



Plymouth 248-348-6430
"Baby, Come Home..." Sharp & clean! Private entrance, balcony overlooking living room, nice bay window in 2nd bdrm (or den). Extra closet in master. \$1,500 carpet allowance & 1 yr home warranty! (29105331) \$79,900



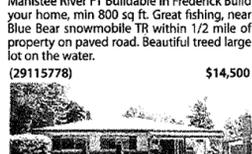
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Contemporary/Remodeled Home. Stately brick ranch exterior disguises this contemporary rancher. Eat in kit, w/maple cabinets, www.realestateone.com/29108458 (29108458) \$124,900



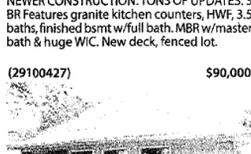
Wixom 248-851-1900
ALL SPORTS LOON LAKE PRIVILEGES! Totally remodeled home. Updated kitchen cabs, floors & bath. Huge LR w/wood burning stove. Brick paver patio, wood deck, fenced yard. Newer windows, roof, siding, furnace (29051549) \$69,900



Farmington Hills 248-851-4100
TOTALLY REMODELED IN & OUT. GATED COMMUNITY New roof, furnace, air, front door. Gorgeous HWF in granite kit & bath. Master BA w/stone tile floors, Euro-glass shower. New deck w/gazebo for entertaining. Buy/lease (29098825) \$312,500



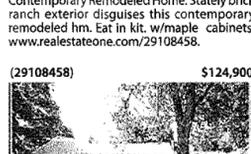
Garden City 734-455-7000
GARDEN CITY RANCH! 3 bedrms; 1-1/2 baths; well-maintained ranch. Beautiful neighborhood. Fenced yard. Garage. (29069023) \$114,900



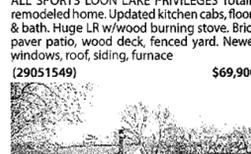
Livonia 734-284-5400
GREAT 3 BEDROOM HOME Perfect for the 1st time buyer. Updated kit w/lots of cabinets. Appl are included. New furnace & hwt in 2003. Lifetime composite deck around above ground pool. (29036097) \$49,900



Pontiac 248-652-6500
MOVE IN READY-BEAUTIFUL CONDO Great buy! Open floor plan, Cathedral ceilings, Neutral. Tile in Bath, Kit, Foyer, Appl. Private covered balcony, att. garage. Clbse offers inground pool, sauna (29081714) \$60,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Just Listed! Ranch seconds from historical area in downtown S Lyon. Hardwood flrs in kit, screened porch looks to backyard. Needs some work. www.realestateone.com/29110209 (29110209) \$79,900



Wolverine Lake 248-684-1065
Great starter home or home in which to downsize. 2 BR, 1 BA, LR, DR, FR, Rec room/library on entry level. FLL & laundry rm bsmt. Porch, deck, Lake privileges. (29058517) \$117,900