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CANTON CONNECTION

TV time

Voters who missed the candidates' forum for Plymouth-Canton Board of Education candidates at Plymouth City Hall are now getting daily chances to see it.

Thanks to the efforts of city officials, a recording of the hour-long forum is airing on cable television through the Nov. 3 election.

The forum will air on WOW channel 18 and Comcast channel 19 at 10 a.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. daily through the election.

Five candidates - incumbents Judy Mardigian and Barry Simescu and Plymouth Township residents Larry Martin, Adrienne Davis and Eric Bacyinski - are vying for three four-year terms.

John Jackson is running unopposed for the lone two-year seat available.

The forum was sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County.

Pink out

The Plymouth Whalers annual Pink Out! For Breast Cancer Awareness happens Saturday, Oct. 24 at 7:05 p.m. against the Belleville Bulls at Compuware Arena.

The Whalers will be wearing special pink jerseys for the event and the entire team will be dying their hair pink. The game-worn pink jerseys will be auctioned off the night of the Pink Out!

The Whalers Team Pink Out happens Wednesday, Oct. 21, at Lucky Hair Company in Canton. Plymouth players will be going to Lucky's in shifts of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Oct. 21 to color their hair. Fans are welcome to watch.

No flu clinic

The Canton Senior Center has cancelled the Senior Flu Shot Clinic that was scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 21, due to lack of flu vaccines.

The flu vaccine will not be available until the beginning of November, and the clinic will be rescheduled as soon as further information is available.

The clinic is overseen by the Visiting Nurses Association and is for the seasonal flu, not the H1N1 Virus. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that anyone who wants to reduce their chances of getting seasonal flu should consider getting a seasonal influenza vaccine, when appropriate.

For updated information on the Senior Flu Clinic and all Senior Summit events and activities please call 734/394-5485 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

District gets shot at H1N1 vaccines

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

In a survey conducted over three nights earlier this week, parents of almost half the students in the Plymouth-Canton school district said they would have their children get the H1N1 flu vaccination if it were made available in the district.

They're about to get their chance.

Wayne County health officials announced Friday the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools would be one of the

county's locations for a satellite shot clinic now that the vaccine has been made available.

Logistics are still being worked out, but district officials said the vaccines will likely be made available around Nov. 9 in most of the district's buildings.

"They have one of the largest districts, and they expressed interest early on," said Dr. Talat Danish, medical director with the Wayne County Department of Public Health. "They have several schools on campus where children go back and forth from one school to the

other."

The survey, conducted Monday through Wednesday evenings using the district's Synovoice schools-connect telephone system, made more than 12,000 calls and produced a 49.1-percent participation rate. District officials said an acceptable participation rate is more like 10-15 percent.

"It shows parents are concerned," said Frank Ruggirello, the district's director of community relations.

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GETTING THE SHOT

Plymouth-Canton students can get their H1N1 vaccines at school in early November. Others looking to get the shot can try these other locations:

• Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia, Nov. 14 and Dec. 5, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• Wayne County Health Department office, 17421 Telegraph, Redford, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., by appointment only, (313) 537-1708.

• Wayne County Health Department office, 33030 Van Born, Wayne, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday; by appointment only Tuesday-Wednesday-Friday, call (734) 727-7100.

Turning the page

Canton author pens story of overcoming abuse

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton writer Gregg Tyler Milligan has penned a harrowing new book about a young boy who escapes the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of a vicious mother — only to learn he still loves her and, even after her death, remains

HOT OFF THE PRESSES

• **What:** 'A Beautiful World'

• **Who:** Canton author Gregg Milligan

• **Why:** "One of the decisions I made when I decided to write the book was to be brutally honest," Milligan said.

• **Where:** Self-published through Dog Ear Publishing LLC; list price of \$14.95; available online through Barnes & Noble and through Amazon.com.

haunted by a brutal childhood.

Milligan, 46, said the story is his own past.

Despite a wretched childhood that he said still triggers panic attacks, chronic nightmares and anxiety disorder, Milligan has achieved in academics, athletics,

the military and corporate America. Yet his 142-page book, curiously titled *A Beautiful World*, mostly focuses on the years when he was 8 to 11 years old, before he and two siblings were removed from their mother's home.

"One of the decisions I made when I decided to write the book was to be



Canton author Gregg Milligan and wife Sarah Milligan talk about his book, 'A Beautiful World.'

brutally honest," Milligan said, sitting with wife Sarah in the dining room of their home near Beck and Cherry Hill roads. She occasionally placed a comforting hand on his back as he talked about his first book.

Milligan said he spent his early years in Ypsilanti — the second youngest of seven siblings. His younger sister verified statements Milligan made for this story.

Milligan said his late father left

home when he was only 2 years old but returned, off and on, over the years, and the father was abusive to the mother.

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Crews aim for Canton Center/Cherry Hill fix

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Traffic snarls on the west side of the Cherry Hill-Canton intersection are expected to improve after work crews finish a road-widening project that began in earnest Thursday.

"It should make a huge difference," Canton Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said. "It will relieve some of the traffic congestion during the morning rush hour, and it should make a big improvement in safety at the intersection."

Livonia-based Peter A. Basile Sons, Inc., has started a long-awaited project to widen Cherry Hill and add longer turn lanes for eastbound motorists turning north and south onto Canton Center — a move township engineer Tom Casari said should ease traffic flow.

Traffic turning west onto Cherry Hill from southbound Canton Center also will have a little more room to maneuver, Casari said.

Faas said construction crews hope to have the project "substantially complete" within four weeks or so, improving conditions at an intersection where 112 accidents occurred between 2004

and 2008, according to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

Those statistics placed the Cherry Hill-Canton Center intersection ninth in overall crashes in the township.

After the project is completed, the west side of the intersection will be more like the already-wider east side.

Canton Police Lt. Scott Hilden said traffic problems are worse during the morning rush hour, when eastbound vehicles tend to stack up as drivers line up to make their turns north and south onto Canton Center. The bottleneck also hampers efforts of motorists who are not turning, but simply traveling east on Cherry Hill.

"Right now during the morning rush hour we get long back-ups," he said, adding that safety conditions worsen even more as some drivers use the shoulder of the road to try to maneuver around long lines of traffic.

"Once you widen and spread out the roadway, it's going to allow for a more orderly flow of traffic in the area," Hilden said.

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H1N1

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The survey of parents showed more than 9,000 students in the district would take advantage of the shots. Another 1,200 non-students (children between 6 months old and school age) would also get the shots.

Now that the county has named the district a site, consent forms will be sent home with all students. Parents who responded in the survey will still have a chance to change their minds.

"The district is providing the service," Ruggirello said. "We are not saying 'get the shot' or 'don't get the shot.' That's a family decision."

Plymouth-Canton is one of eight mass distribution sites designated by the county, but the only school-based site. Danish said while the general public won't be able to get the vaccine at Plymouth-Canton, they can go to any of the other seven sites.

More information about those sites is available at www.waynecounty.com

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AUTHOR

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During what Milligan called his mother's "fits of rage," he recalled times he said he was punched, kicked and hit with objects such as hammers, ash trays and belts. He said his mother received government aid but also worked as a prostitute to get money, partly for her substance abuse involving alcohol and pharmaceutical drugs.

"She was a prostitute as long as I can remember," he said.

Milligan said he was between the ages of 8 and 11 when the worst physical and sexual abuse occurred — much of it by his own mother. He said she also occasionally turned him over to adult men for sexual favors to get money.

Milligan began phoning his oldest siblings for help, and he said a court battle ultimately resulted in authorities taking him and two other siblings, who also were abused, from their mother. He said the other, older children already had left home.

Milligan at times stayed with older siblings, his father, with friends, in a boys' home, in foster homes and, when he was 17, with a minister who helped him.

"I did my best to stay in school, and I avoided the drugs and alcohol, but I was quick-tempered," he said.

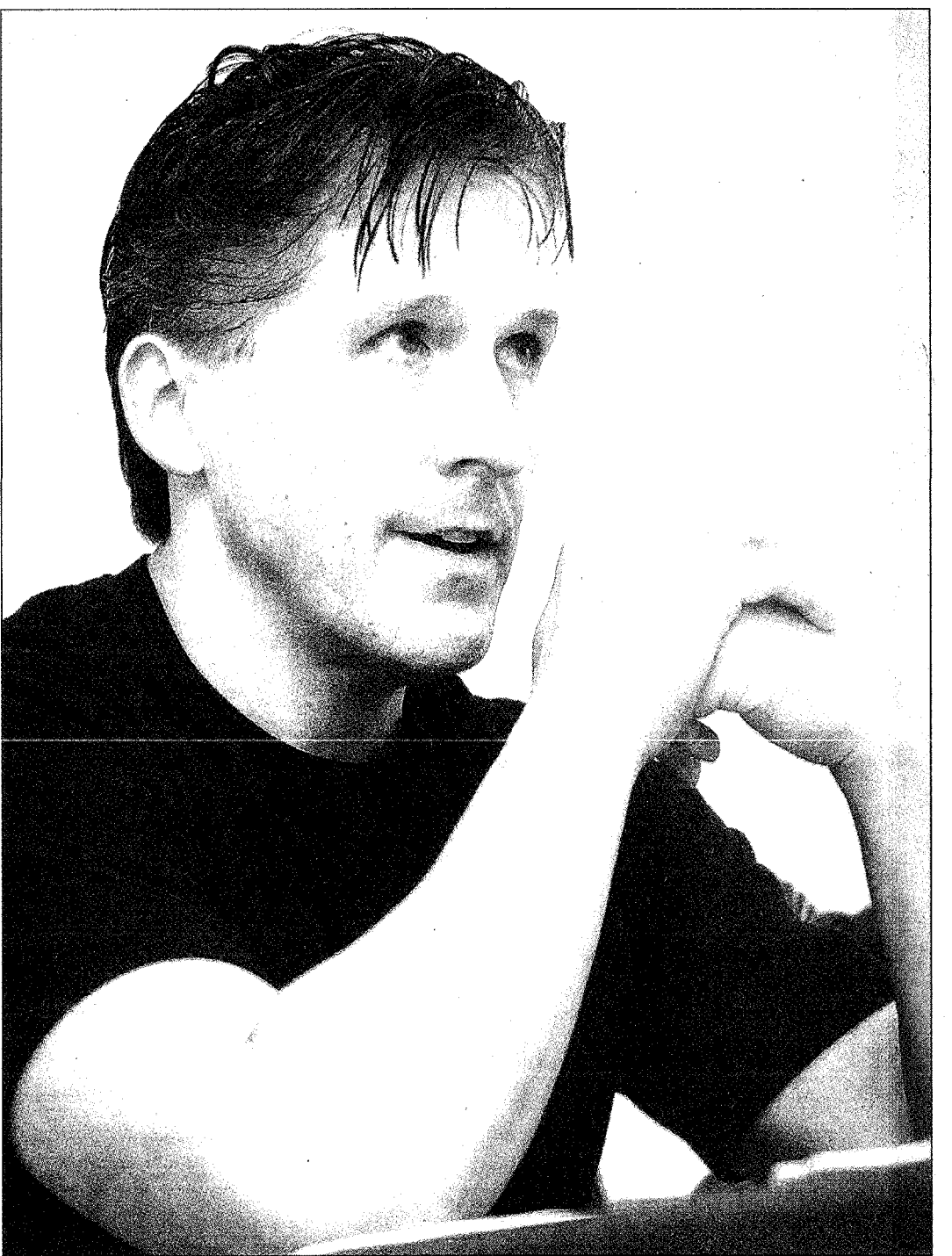
Milligan ran track in high school, got a partial scholarship and eventually earned a bachelor's degree in business and mathematics from Siena Heights University. He spent time in the U.S. Air Force before getting his master's degree in computer engineering from Wayne State University.

Milligan said he suffered a "severe nervous breakdown" when he was 19 and began seeing a therapist.

"That's when things really began to change," he said.

Around the time he was in boot camp for the U.S. Air Force, Milligan learned his college girlfriend was pregnant with his only son, Gregg Tyler Milligan II. The couple married for several years before splitting up.

"My greatest accomplish-



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton author Gregg Milligan said his main goal was to "be brutally honest" in his first book, 'A Beautiful World.'

ment is that my son has never, ever known violence," Milligan said.

Milligan has held computer engineering and executive level positions in corporate America. He took a severance package last year, and he has now finished a book he said he spent 10 years writing.

The book, self-published through Dog Ear Publishing LLC, debuted in August for a list price of \$14.95, and it is available online through Barnes & Noble and through Amazon.com. It can be found

on those sites by searching the title or Milligan's full name.

Milligan and wife Sarah, who has a career in the computer field, have been married just over a year but have known each other for 13 years. He said he mostly has contact with only two of his siblings.

"Gregg's story — and knowing he was able to persevere — may help others know that they're not alone," his wife said.

When Gregg Milligan began writing his book, he initially

had a working title of *God Must Be Sleeping*. But he settled on *A Beautiful World* because he has had achievements despite a troubled childhood that still haunts him. He hopes the book will help others who may have endured the pain he survived.

"The message I want to put out is a message of hope — that we are here to save one another, and as long as you stay in the game, it'll be OK," he said.

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Skate for food

The Canton Goodfellows and Skatin' Station II are partnering in an effort to raise food for charity.

"Skate on Your Can" food drive takes place 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at Skatin' Station II, 8611 Ronda in Canton. Skaters get ice time for free with a donation of three canned good or non-perishable items. All proceeds go to Canton Goodfellows.

For more information, visit the Web site www.skatinstation2.com or call (734) 459-6401.

Corriveau coffee

State Representative Marc Corriveau is hosting a coffee hour 5:30-6:30 p.m. Nov. 30 at Parthenon Coney Island, 39910 Ford Road, in Canton.

For more information, call (734) 981-0200.

First Step program

Judith Barr, Associate Director of First Step, will present a program on domestic violence on Oct. 29, 2-3 p.m. at the Canton Public Library.

First Step is a local resource offering free services to individuals affected by domestic violence and sexual assault. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and First Step believes that prevention and awareness are key components to ending violence in our communities.

This program will be held in the library's Purple Room. It is free, no registration is required. For more information, visit www.firststep-mi.org or www.cantonpl.org.

The Canton Public Library is located at 1200 S. Canton Center Road in Canton.

Cabaret night

Come to the cabaret! The Spotlight Players' version, that is. For one night only, the group is taking The Biltmore Studio at The Village Theater and transforming it into an intimate night club.

Six vocalists will take you on a musical journey through

some of Broadway's great shows, including numbers from Anything Goes, Fiddler on the Roof, The Sound of Music, Company, Hello, Dolly!, Oklahoma and Kiss Me Kate. "Come to the Cabaret" takes place 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24. Cabaret-style seats are limited so purchase tickets now! Come tap your toes to classic tunes while enjoying a beverage from the cash bar and finger food from the concession stand.

The performance takes place at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. The Village Theater has free parking is handicap accessible.

Tickets are available by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or online at www.canton-mi.org/village-theater or in person at The Summit on the Park or at the door. Box office opens one hour prior to show-time. Tickets are \$15.

For more information about Spotlight Players or Spotlight on Youth productions call at (734) 480-4945 or visit www.spotlightplayersmi.org.

St. Michael openings

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

Breast cancer fund-raiser

Sue Turner and two of her dearest friends will be walking in the Michigan 3-day to raise money for Susan G Komen Breast Cancer Research. The event is one in which they will walk a total of 60 miles over the course of three days, training hundreds of miles to get ready for this weekend-long event.

The three wanted to do

their part in fighting against the disease. They've created a cookbook for people to enjoy and also at the same time contribute to a great cause. In order to accomplish their goal, they gathered recipes from friends and family.

"The title of the book just seemed to fall into place ... '3 Friends, 3 Reasons (for walking the 3day), 3 Hearts,'" Turner said. "Our team name for the walk is 'BE BOLD.'" "BE BOLD" is a statement of power. BE BOLD to fight for what you believe in; BE BOLD to go beyond your comfort zone ... the list is endless."

The book consists of 400 wonderful recipes. Including the trio's signature cookie "Be Bold! Chocolate Peanut Butter Bites."

Each book is \$15. Additional shipping charges may apply for non-local buyers.

For more information, contact Turner at turnercrew@comcast.net or (734) 812-2937.

Girls want to scrap

Canton Newcomers will be hosting "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun," a two-day crop, as their fall fund-raiser.

This fun-filled event will feature amazing "make and takes," as well as exciting raffles and door prizes. You can look forward to working with a talented and spirited group of scrappers.

Space is still available, contact Laura Malone on (734) 945-0749, or visit www.cantonnewcomers.org. Ticket cost is 2-days for \$50 or 1-day for \$30, meals and drinks are included. The crop will be held on Friday, Oct. 23, from noon to midnight and Saturday, Oct. 24, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Women's expo

Holiday Women's Expo hosted by the Polish National Alliance Women's Division hosts a Holiday Women's Expo Nov. 1 at All Saints Catholic School on Warren between Beck and Ridge roads in Canton.

Come shop and relax, light lunch available. Polish pierogies for sale. Call Gloria (734) 422-1731 or Barb (734) 634-7780.

Friends 'Howl' with dog park fund-raiser

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

They're a persistent group, these Friends of the Canton Township Dog Park.

Friends member Debi Greene has called on dog lovers to attend a fund-raiser noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at Crimboli Nursery & Landscape, 50145 Ford Road west of Ridge.

Greene billed it as the perfect fall event featuring hayrides, food, dog adoptions, a family costume contest with prizes for children and dogs — and, she hopes, entertainment.

It's the latest effort to raise money for a fenced-in dog park where pets can play off-leash on the west side of Denton Road north of Cherry Hill.

"Many of our residents go to other places to let their dogs play off-leash because there's no place close to home," Greene said. "They go to our local parks, but they're not very dog-friendly because you have to keep your dog on a leash at all times."

That'll change, she said, when Canton has its own dog park, which will include separate play areas for large and small dogs.

"The dogs will get to play with other dogs and socialize," Greene said, much like they have been doing at special "Bark at the Moon" fund-raisers that have simulated an off-leash dog park in Heritage Park.

"When we do our 'Bark at the Moon' events, it is so much fun to watch the dogs play with other dogs they've never



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

You can go to the dogs with Jesse, Pete and Champagne at Howling for the Dog Park on Saturday, Oct. 24 at Crimboli Landscape. Linda Crimboli and Debi Greene say that you and your favorite canine should come on by from noon to 3 p.m. and help support Canton's dog park.

met before," said Greene, who has two dogs of her own, a Bischon named Champagne and a Belgian Malinois called Ginger.

Abe Vinitski, the township's parks and facilities supervisor, has said dog park organizers have raised more than \$16,000

toward their \$60,000 goal. They plan to start some preliminary work, such as a driveway and parking area, this fall. It isn't certain when the dog park will be ready for pets and their owners.

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Touching lives Efforts land teacher board's Extra Miler award

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

This time, first-graders Ella Workman and Morgan Cummings didn't have to raise their hands to speak.

This time, they were handed a microphone, and they did the loudest talking.

That's what made it special for Julie Jones, recognized Tuesday night with the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education's Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler Award for her contributions to the education of children as a first-grade teacher at Bird Elementary.

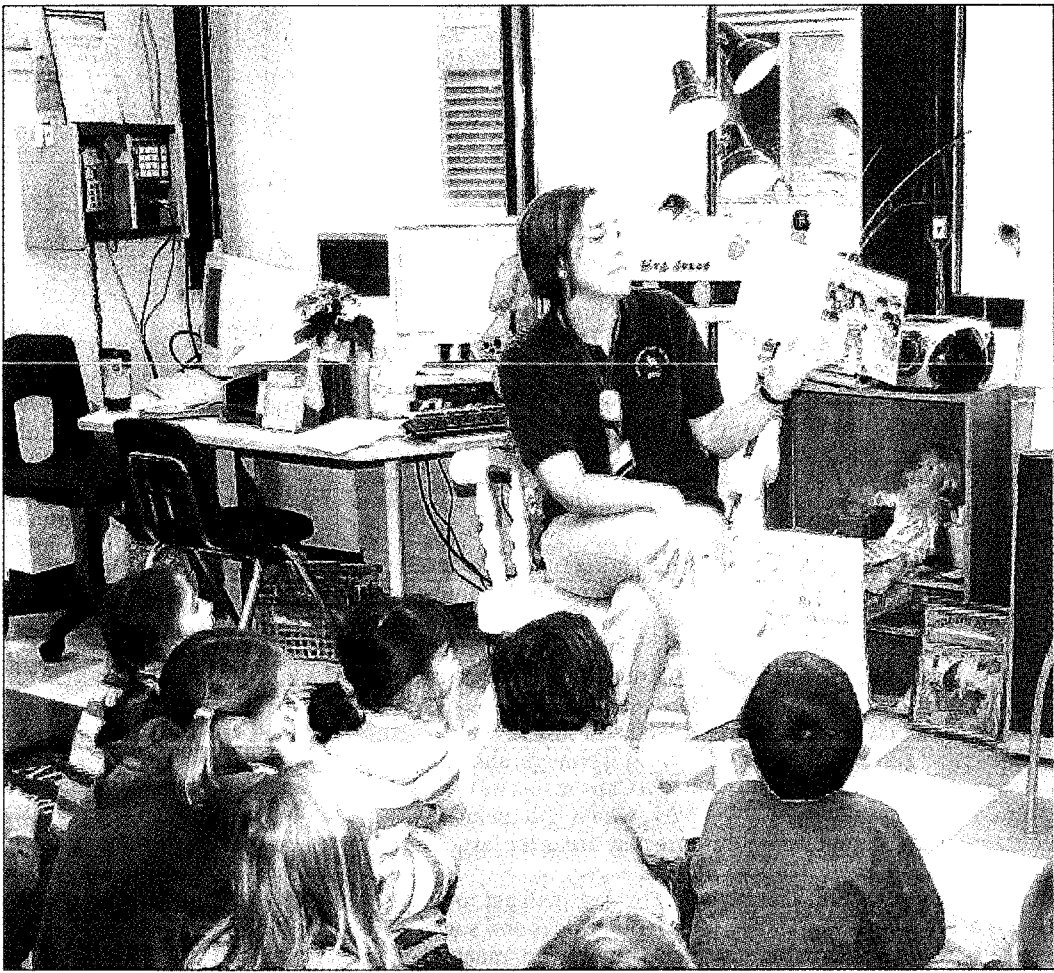
"She does (everything) in a fun way," Ella Workman said. "She cares about me, and I know it."

According to her peers, Jones, who started her career as a long-term substitute, cares about all her students. Jones frequently peruses the previous year's yearbook so that, on the first day of school, she can welcome children by sight in an effort to make them feel more welcome.

Board member Dianne Gonzalez, who made Tuesday's presentation to Jones, recounted the story of Jones' work with Gonzalez's own son.

"(Jones) worked so well with us," said Gonzalez. "Now I realize she does that with everyone."

Jones is one of three teachers - Jeff Blakeslee of Canton High School and Salem High School teacher Valerie Leveille are the others - nominated for the Michigan Department



Bird Elementary School teacher Julie Jones, here reading a story with her class, earned the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education's Extra Miler Award.

of Education's Teacher of the Year Award.

In a congratulatory letter, Mike Flanagan, superintendent of public instruction for the state, said her nomination for Teacher of the Year means she was identified as a teacher who "is ... exceptionally dedi-

cated, inspires students, has the respect and admiration of students, parents and colleagues, and plays an active and useful role in the community."

Jones credits Lenore Goshown, the teacher for whom she began subbing, with

her approach to students. "When I think about how I got here, I give the credit to her," Jones said. "She's the one who taught me how to get to know the kids."

It's a skill she has learned well, according to her boss, Bird Elementary Principal Sue Kelty.

"Julie Jones has touched the lives of so many children at Bird School," Kelty said. "We're very proud of her."

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Even good audit is trumped by gloomy economic news

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Even the good news in the Plymouth-Canton school district - and school districts around the state, really - is being overshadowed by foreboding economic possibilities.

Diane Wells of Plante Moran was delivering what was a solid audit of the district's budget and financial reporting practices, but even she couldn't stay away from what will be the district's precarious financial position if the state goes through with cuts its talking about in public education funding.

The audit itself went well, though.

"We've issued an unqualified opinion, which is the highest level of assurance we can offer you as auditors," Wells told board members Tuesday night. "The good news is the district staff was well-prepared and there were no difficulties in performing the audit. The bad news is your funding status."

Among items discussed:

- Stabilization funding - Plymouth-Canton received something more than \$7 million in stimulus money to help overcome shortfalls in the state's education budget. In their report, auditors said "stabilization funds had a significant impact on this year's audit." More stabilization funds will be used to help the 2009/2010 budget.

- Foundation allowance - According to the audit report, between \$550 and \$600 per pupil of the foundation allowance is expected to be made up in stimulus funding. Wells

pointed out that districts with higher foundation allowances wouldn't feel the pain as much as the lower-funded districts.

- The future - Stimulus funding isn't expected to be available after the 2009/2010 school year, which had auditors suggesting the district begin work soon on its budget plan for 2011, which will have to be in place in less than a year.

Conversation also turned to the district's fund balance, on which officials may need to rely heavily if the state continues to slash the foundation grant. The fund balance is at some \$10 million, far below recommended standards for a budget of some \$160 million.

"Some experts say it should be 20 percent, but I think that's a little unrealistic," Wells told board members. "I think you've got to be looking at 10 percent as a target."

The gloomy economic news came as no surprise to a district that's been dealing with dwindling funds for some time now. The board has already begun setting up a proactive process for writing next year's budget, with several committees that will include board members, administrators and residents at large from around the district.

"We know all the bad news ... none of that was shocking," board secretary Nancy Eggenberger said. "I'm glad you pointed out districts with a higher foundation allowance weren't going to feel it like we are. That's very frustrating for us."

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Theater troupe puts laughter in community service

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Start with a narcoleptic weatherman, a lady who thinks she's Carol Burnett, a priest and two nuns who do a bluegrass aerobics show. Toss in two defrocked televangelists and you have the basis for *KORK-TV*, an original comedy being presented by the Westland-based Inspire Theatre later this month.

Written and directed by Len Fisher, the founder of Inspire Theatre, the play is the story of the defrocked televangelists, played by Mike Renda of Dearborn and Murad Abel of Dearborn Heights, the who swap prison time for community service running an old broken down TV station in Cork, Idaho, and the eccentric people who work there.

The play is a spinoff of an idea that surfaced during an improvisational class last year and took Fisher about a month to complete.

"It took on a life of its own," Fisher said. "We wanted to go with a different opener, but someone said they wanted to do *KORK-TV* and it inspired me to finish it."

The cast is a mixture of professional actors, like Abel, who has appeared in eight films made in Michigan. Others honed their skills on stage at Second City or at community theater venues around the area. Rehearsals began in September at the Warren



Gerry Wiatr of Westland plays Sister Margaret and Lucio Raineri of Canton is Father McCauley, members of a two-nun, one priest bluegrass aerobics show.

Road Light and Life Church, where its old sanctuary has been transformed into the Inspire Theatre. The theater is an intimate setting, with seating for 75, although the troupe has squeezed in as many as a 115 theater goers.

"The front row is really the front row," Bobbi Gladden said. "If you were at Sea World, it would be the splash row."

'WANTED TO DO THIS'

Gladden, a Livonia resident, plays Carol Burnett. This is her third Inspire Theatre pro-

duction.

"I always wanted to do this (live theater). It's something I always wanted to do," she said. "My daughter got me into it."

Her husband Jim did dramas at the church. His first experience with Inspire Theatre was being pulled out of the audience to be a participant.

"I had to respond and I had no script," said Gladden, who plays Dooley, the go-to guy at the TV station. "I've been doing it ever since. Because of Inspire Theatre, I did my

INSPIRE THEATRE

What: 'KORK-TV,' an original comedy.

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Where: Inside the Warren Road Light and Life Church, 33445 Warren Road, between Wayne Road and Venoy, Westland

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first and last singing and solo performance. I'm not a great signer, but I made it work."

Lucio Raineri does sing and play guitar. Cast as Father McCusky, Raineri is appearing in his first play with Inspire Theatre. He discovered the troupe on Facebook and decided to audition. Little did he know that he'd finally use the banjo he bought five years ago.

"I never played it until this came along," said the Argentine native, who has been a tango singer and played a flamenco guitar at different places around the state. "Len didn't know I had one. He couldn't believe it. It was fate."

Tia Austin of Garden City plays Sister Ann, while Gerry Wiatr of Westland plays Sister Maragret. A native of Washington state, Austin always wanted to do community theater, but was never brave enough to try.

"I did little skits in church, but it wasn't until I came here to this church to do a play at Easter that I was thrown into it," she said.

Her main strength is the visual arts, so she helped with backdrops, took photographs during productions and helped with ticket sales and concessions.

"That's how I got my foot in the door," she said. "I felt this was right time to be on stage. It feels more comfortable because I know the people in Inspire Theatre."

A FEW SURPRISES

Fisher in an e-mail encouraged Austin to stretch her character, so she has a few surprises planned, although she's not sure she'll do them at the dress rehearsal of the first performance.

"Sister Ann wears a pair of glasses with rhinestones one them. I also pull out a nail file and file my nails," she said. "We're two nuns with a guitar who play *Good Lovin'*."

Deanna Lee of Redford has been with the theater troupe for five years, starting with it when it did shows at Covenant Church in Dearborn. It offered her the opportunity to play different roles than in real life and perform in front of people.

"I love it," Lee said. "They let me perform on stage. I get to escape from reality. I only do

this with Inspire Theatre."

Lee and Bill Peterson of Livonia play talk show hosts Mary and Harry. Lee has been in 12 Inspire productions, including *The Wizard of Oz*, *Divine Stella Divine*, *It's a Wonderful Life* and *Father of the Bride*. Preston is in his third show as an actor, but has plenty of experience working behind the scenes. A friend from church, Paul Hardy, asked him to help build props for *Oz*. He did that, then decided to audition for a part.

"I've been hooked on it ever since because I'm having a ball," he said. "It gives me a chance to step outside my comfort zone ... way outside."

As for his role of Harry, he describes him as a "small town innocent, naive, cheerful, bubbly person who loves people."

"He follows Mary's every lead, they finish each other's sentences," he said. "My wife says I do that from time to time."

John Donnelly of Redford is in his 12th show with Fisher. His first show was *Oz*, in which he played 10 different roles.

"We did it as a radio show, we had two microphones on the stage," he said. "It was the easiest show to do. We had to do it in character, but we didn't have to memorize lines."

For more information about the Inspire Theatre, go online to www.inspiretheatre.com.

CITY OF PLYMOUTH ACCURACY TESTING FOR VOTING EQUIPMENT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2009, 11:30 a.m.

The City of Plymouth will be conducting the accuracy testing for the optical scan voting equipment, as well as the hearing impaired equipment for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009. The test is scheduled for Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 11:30 a.m. at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street, Plymouth, MI 48170.

This is an open testing session and any interested person is encouraged to attend. Miller Consultations & Elections will be conducting the testing to assure that the voting equipment has been programmed appropriately.

If there are any questions, please direct them to the City Clerk's office at 734-453-1234, ext. 234. The Plymouth Cultural Center is in compliance with the American Disabilities Act and is handicapped accessible.

LINDA LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

RFP-USF FORM 470/FY2010 - Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is accepting Bids for Telephone Services/Dedicated Circuits for FY2010 of the Universal Services Fund (USF) E-rate Program. Specifications are available at the following web site: triple-r.us/erate/RFP-PCCSFY10.pdf.

Bidders may also obtain, upon request, a copy of the RFP at the **E. J. McClendon 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170**. RFP's are to be labeled "USF Telecommunications Bid" and received in the Technology Department by no later than 2:00P.M., Friday, October 30, 2009. All questions regarding this RFP should be directed to James Casteel at 734-416-2708. The Plymouth Canton Community Schools Board of Education reserves the right to reject or decline any/or all Bids received.

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Address Inquiries To: Jim Larson-Shidler, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 or by phone at (734) 416-2740.

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- 14730 Farmbrook is in an R-1 zoning district and the applicant is requesting two variances. The first addition is a laundry room (12.4 x 8.5) and the second is a master bedroom (17 x 25.2). The minimum required rear yard setback is fifty (50) feet; the laundry room proposed addition would create a rear yard setback of forty (43) feet, encroaching into the required rear yard setback by seven (7) feet. The bedroom proposed addition would create a rear yard setback of forty one point four (41.4) feet, encroaching into the required rear yard setback by eight point six (8.6) feet. The applicant is asking for a rear yard setback variance of 7 feet and 8.6 feet.

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

For further information contact Plymouth Township Building Department 734 354-3210.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Technology LAN Cabling for Salem High School**. Bid documents will be available electronically on or after October 16, 2009 from the District's technology consultant: Fanning/Howe Associates, Inc. located at 28001 Cabot Drive, Suite 110, Novi, MI 48377 by calling (248) 848-0123 x110 or via email request to epzywara@fhai.com (request document #208089.00). A pre-bid meeting will be held at the District's E.J. McClendon Educational Center on **November 2, 2009 at 2:00 P.M.** Sealed bids will also be received at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center and must be clearly marked "**SALEM HIGH SCHOOL LAN CABLING BID**" and received **no later than 2:00 p.m. on Friday, November 13, 2009** at which time they will be read publicly. The PCCS E.J. McClendon Educational Building is located at 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. For additional information, contact Jim Casteel, Director of Integrated Technology at (734) 416-2708. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids and to waive any bid irregularities, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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Panel cites 'urgent' need to slash state business tax

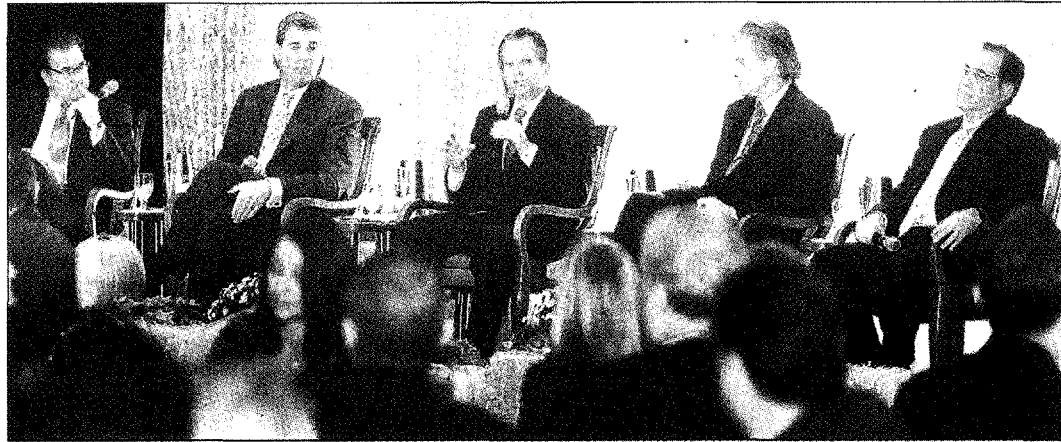
BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

A businessman and four politicians called for lower business taxes to improve Michigan's economy during a panel discussion Thursday hosted by the Chaldean American Chamber of Commerce in West Bloomfield.

The Chaldean chamber is located in Southfield.

State Attorney General Mike Cox recommended cutting the Michigan Business Tax in half and eventually eliminating it altogether. The tax is one of the smallest sources of Michigan's income, Cox said, and it also places the state among the third worst to do business. Business tax cuts could make Michigan the seventh most desirable state to do business, he added.

"How many jobs do we have to lose to have a sense



Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox (center) tells the audience that there is a leadership deficit in Lansing. Listening are Murray Feldman (left), David Brandon, state Rep. Andy Dillon and Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano.

of urgency?" Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano asked, pointing to 750,000 jobs eliminated statewide.

He looks at the Detroit Region Aerotropolis as becoming America's premier location for trade and business expansion that, he said, can create 60,000 jobs and \$11 billion in revenue. The dual airport system will consist of Detroit Metropolitan and Willow Run airports offering businesses and travelers the connectivity and capacity to access the global market.

This airport city will put Michigan on a regional and global competitive level, Ficano said. He added that he recently reduced 11 departments by 40 percent.

"One of the concerns with the Aerotropolis was: 'Are you going to pull business out of Detroit and surrounding communities around the airport?'" he said. "There's a poaching law that says we can't do that.

NEED A JOB?

A representative from the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) had a recruiting table in the lobby of the Shenandoah Country Club, where the Chaldean American Chamber of Commerce hosted a luncheon. The chamber is headquartered in Southfield.

The representative spoke briefly at the luncheon about the need to recruit Chaldeans for "good jobs with good benefits."

panies to Michigan, which in turn creates jobs that boosts state income taxes and provides other spinoff benefits to the state, Ficano said.

Brandon noted that it's nearly impossible to decide what the next emerging corporation in the state will be, and elected officials should focus on lowering the cost of doing business for everyone, instead of a few they believe are going to be popular in the future.

"The Michigan Business Tax is onerous," Brandon said, stressing that small business owners have such smaller profit margins and that a tax break could make a difference between a business surviving or not.

He called for "the government to get out of the way and let us compete."

After the event, Chaldean American Chamber of Commerce President Martin Manna said that while he was thankful each of the panelists attending and sharing their comments, many of the people in the audience are small business owners who "still have a lot of anxiety" about the economic outlook in Michigan.

"We think they can make the difference and we believe in them," Manna said, adding that politicians need to put people first and special interest groups later.

Business will locate around the airport."

Cox and Ficano were joined by Michigan Speaker of the House Andy Dillon (R-Redford) and president/CEO of Domino's Pizza, David Brandon, who is also chairman of the Business Leaders for Michigan.

WJBK-TV (Channel 2) News Business Editor Murray Feldman moderated and punctuated the 90-minute debate with a standing joke about who was and wasn't running for governor.

Dillon called for government and business to form a partnership that will "create a better environment for business."

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FOR THE
November 3, 2009 Consolidated Election

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: A public accuracy test of the M-100 Optic Scan Voting System will take place at 3:00 p.m., on Wednesday, October 21, 2009, at Plymouth Township Municipal Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170, for the Tuesday, November 03, 2009, Consolidated Election. For further information contact the Clerk's Office. Phone (734) 354-3224.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Joe Bridgman, CMC
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W-W looks at school closings, 5-6 school plan

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It looks like the Wayne-Westland Community Schools will go the route districts like Livonia, Novi and Dexter have by realigning grades to create upper elementary schools. However, to accomplish that may mean the closing of seven elementary schools.

That was the gist of several reports presented to the district's 21st Century Schools Committee last week. The group, made up of parents, business people, school employees and administrators, is developing a plan that will maintain the district's educational program while addressing the loss of enrollment and funding.

"This is about how to make the district better," Associate Supt. Gary Martin said. "We literally have to make the best of what we have, so let's make it even better."

The tentative plan developed by the facilities subcommittee would have five elementaries feeding into one fifth- and sixth-grade school. From there, the students as a group would advance to the same middle school and high school. Currently, the

district has 17 elementaries with seven serving as feeder schools to two different middle schools. One of the four middle schools, Stevenson, also sends students to both of the high schools.

The plan is based on a recommendation by the instruction subgroup. The subgroup visited several 5-6 schools and were impressed with what they saw.

"I was concerned that a five-six school would be too babyish and that it would be like an elementary school," said committee member Sue Webb, a parent representative from Franklin Middle School. "But it wasn't babyish and wasn't a middle school. I really like it that students will enter into fifth grade and will be with the class they will graduate with."

"The students talked about it being just right and how it was their school," added Valerie Orr, Wayne Memorial High School principal. "There wasn't one negative kid among them."

Pluses for an arrangement would be the ability to enhance the educational program with foreign languages and instrumental music, which were lost at the elementary level when the district moved to a middle school program in the 1990s.

21ST CENTURY SCHOOLS NEWS


Wayne-Westland's 21st Century Schools Committee is charged with:

- Reviewing district facility use and demographics.
- Exploring various learning configurations.
- Reviewing attendance boundaries.
- Exploring additional educational options for district students.

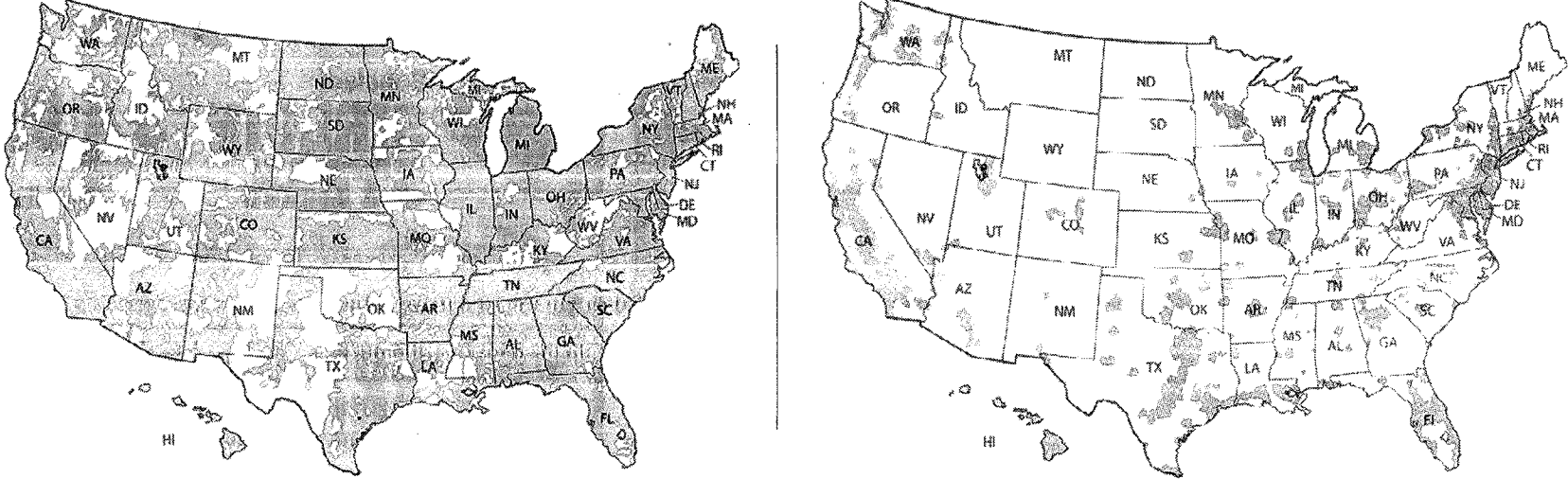
The information it gathers will be used to create a plan to carry the district forward into the 21st century.

Wayne-Westland parents and residents can keep up-to-date on the committee's work online at www.wwcsd.net. Click on the 21st Century Schools Committee logo to see minutes from the various meetings, a video about the committee's work, a question-and-answer sheet and PowerPoint presentations from the meetings.

Brochures also are available and presentations are being made to PTA groups in an effort to keep residents informed. They can also call (734) 419-2000 for more information.



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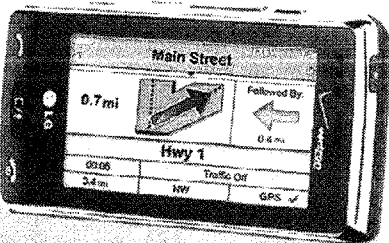
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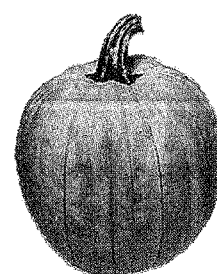
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Seniors pace PCA kickers to 5-0 triumph – B2

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Family fun guide: Find pumpkin patches and more ... C2

Wildcats win, playoff-bound

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ever since a crazy play went against Plymouth at the end of a heartbreaking loss to Westland John Glenn, a play that became a national story, the Wildcats have been hard to bring down.

Friday night, behind 263 rushing yards and three touchdowns from Jernarian Caldwell, the Wildcats earned another trip to the state playoffs by virtue of a 35-23 win over visiting Novi.

Plymouth improved to 6-2 overall with the KLAA crossover win, and head coach Mike Sawchuk will return to the playoffs for the third straight year he has been at the team's helm.

"It was a total team effort," Sawchuk said. "I'm proud of these kids for what they've been through the last three weeks."

The potentially devastating loss to John Glenn — when the Rockets scored after Plymouth blocked a field goal in what the Wildcats thought was the final play of the game — instead has brought the team together.

"They seem to be a little bit tighter now," Sawchuk said. "Some things happen for a reason."

The coach said Caldwell "was a stud" Friday, scoring on runs of 45, 82 and 51 yards. Other Plymouth TDs came on a 17-yard run by quarterback Victor Hicks and an 18-yard pass play from Hicks to Jake Morris.

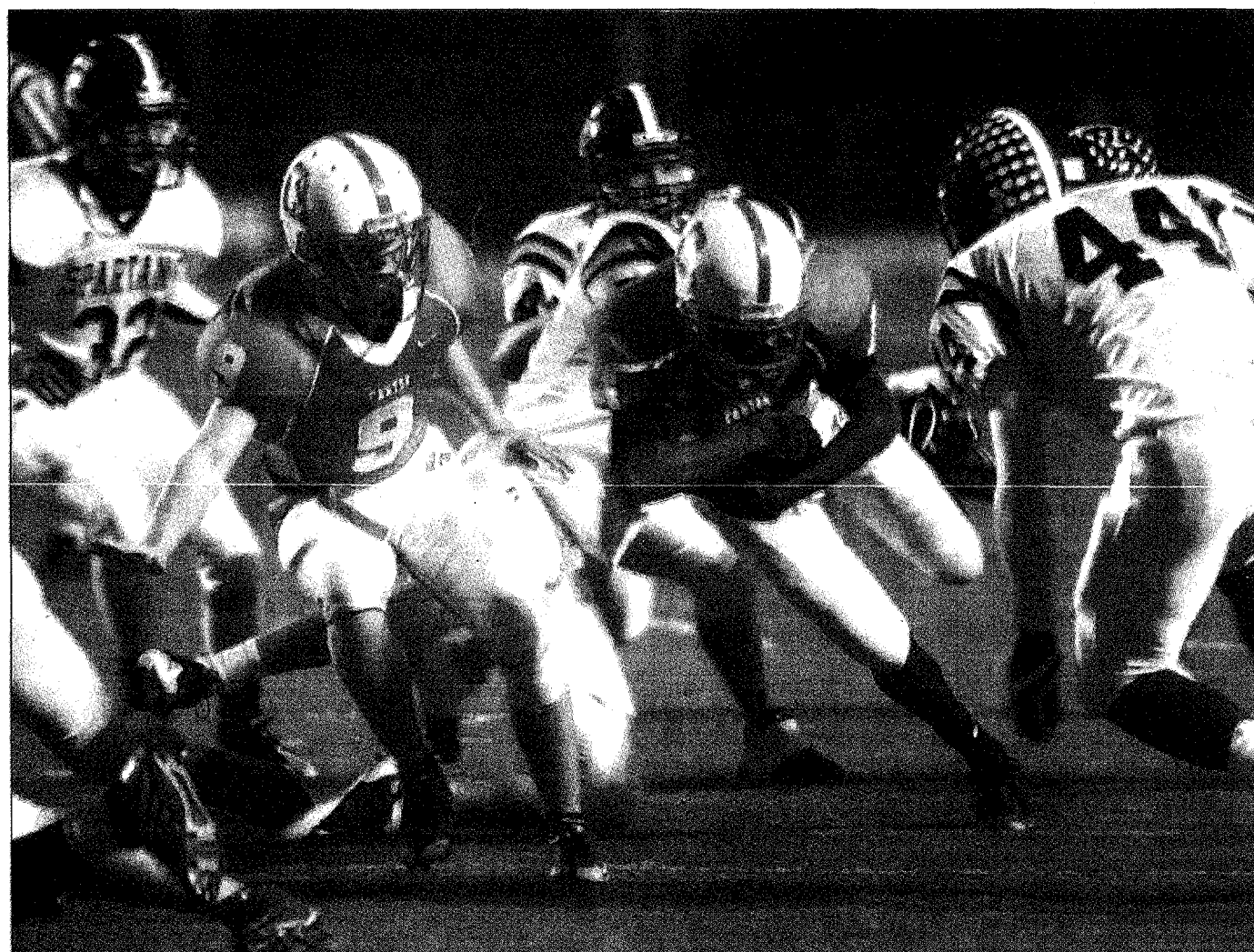
Plymouth broke out to a 21-0 lead only to watch Novi (3-5) make it close, 28-21, at half-time.

Salem rocked

Friday night at Livonia Franklin in another KLAA crossover, Salem lost 42-10 to fall to 2-6 on the season.

It was 21-7 Franklin (4-4) at halftime, with Salem's points courtesy of a 5-yard TD catch

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Pushing forward for a first quarter gain Friday night is Canton sophomore running back Kevin Buford (No. 1). Providing blocking help is senior Adam Payter (No. 9).

Not again: Stevenson foils Chiefs

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Fired up to avenge last year's loss to Livonia Stevenson in the regional finals, Canton's varsity football team came out swinging Friday night by scoring on the opening drive.

But the visiting Spartans and senior running back Austin White also knew how big the KLAA Kensington Conference championship game was. Stevenson (6-2) came from behind with two fourth-quarter touchdowns to shock the Chiefs, 36-27, and clinch a playoff bid.

White was the big gun, rushing 31 times for 165 yards and scoring on runs of 11, 1 and 50 yards (with 1:04 to go) and completing a 10-yard halfback option TD pass to senior Mike Beyer.

"They've gotten us the last two years," said Canton head coach Tim Baechler, whose 7-1 team will look to regain its collective focus. "They're a well-coached team. We knew they were good."

"Both teams deserved to win, but they did a little bit more. ... Bottom line, they made a few more plays than us."

Stevenson head coach Tim Gabel knew Canton would be out to get back at his team for the 38-31 loss in the 2008 regional finals. But he said his team followed the same script it has since starting the year 0-2.

"We lost our first two games and they were against good teams," Gabel said. "The whole plan was to just try and keep getting better. Honestly, the kids have really bought into that."

"But I'm not going to say this was an ordinary game. Obviously, it's a cham-

pionship game and against a very, very good team."

JUST SPECTACULAR

White, who has committed to play at the University of Michigan, wasn't the only big playmaker in the back-and-forth title tilt.

Canton sophomore running back Kevin Buford dazzled the crowd with a 39-yard run in the first drive of the contest to set up his own 1-yard plunge.

Buford later scored on TD runs of 63 and 65 yards and rushed for 193 yards on 11 carries.

"That kid's spectacular, a great player," Baechler said. "He's deceptively strong and you can see how fast he is. He's incredible."

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GAME WRAPS

Plymouth spikers prevail

Senior Night turned out perfectly Thursday for Plymouth's varsity volleyball team, sparked by senior co-captain Kelly Smoltz to a 25-13, 24-26, 25-19, 25-18 victory over Livonia Franklin.

"She (Smoltz) really stepped it up tonight," Plymouth head coach Kelly McCausland said. "She was our go-to hitter offensively and our block leader defensively (16 kills, 10 blocks)."

Other seniors also came through, particularly co-captain Katie Salo (15 digs, 40 set assists and 100-percent serving) and co-captain Erin O'Connor (five digs, eight crucial block deflections).

"I really needed my seniors to regroup and take on leadership roles after Tuesday night's loss and all three had their game faces on this evening," McCausland said.

Other key contributors for the Wildcats (18-7-1 overall, 5-3 in the KLAA South) were Dani Risi (13 kills, four aces, eight digs), Jessica Scott (10 kills, three blocks) and Kayla Bridge (nine kills, 24 digs, 100-percent serving).

Rocks nip Brighton

With Monday night's district tilt against Plymouth looming, the Salem varsity boys soccer team tuned up with Wednesday's 2-1 win over Brighton in a KLAA crossover.

Scoring for the Rocks (12-4-4, fifth place in the 24-team circuit) were Alex Tramel (from Lachlan Savage) and Evan Antich, who netted the winner in the second half on an assist from Scott O'Connor.

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State-ment

Breakthrough year for Plymouth boys tennis team

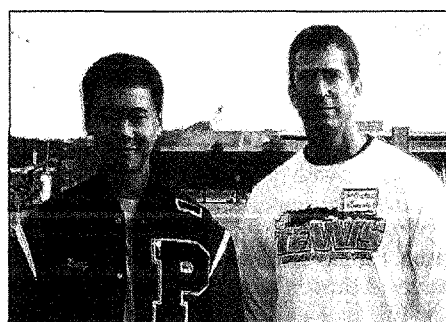
BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth High School's varsity boys tennis team is enjoying a season to remember, both for collective and individual accomplishments.

For the first time in school history, the Wildcats won the KLAA South Division. Plymouth's fourth-place finish at Friday's state Division 1 regionals was its best-ever showing as was the team's third-place finish in the KLAA conference tourney the previous week.

But the biggest accomplishment was of an individual nature. Sophomore No. 1 singles player Aaron Zhang qualified for the D1 state meet (which was Friday and Saturday), becoming the first Wildcat to make the cut. He did so by defeating the second-seeded player (Ann Arbor Pioneer) in straight sets at the PHS-hosted regionals.

"To have a top player emerge from our program adds a new level of excitement to



Plymouth varsity boys tennis player Aaron Zhang is the first Wildcat to qualify for the state meet in the school's seven-year history. At right is his coach, Tom Kimball.

our team," said Plymouth head coach Tom Kimball about Zhang, who posted a stellar 17-6 record this season.

That record, Kimball emphasized, was against some of the best players in the state.

"Aaron has made a huge investment of time into practicing and playing in tour-

naments throughout the year," Kimball said. "He has a devastating forehand and is already beyond proficient in nearly every aspect of the games."

"If he continues to improve at the rate he is going he will easily play at the collegiate level."

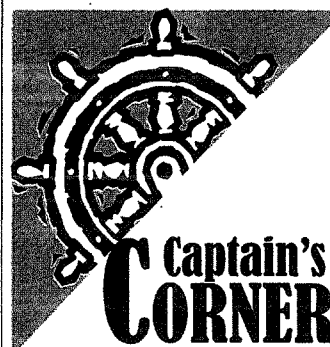
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What Zhang is doing now is the icing on the cake of what has been a very enjoyable and successful season, said Kimball, who has coached the Wildcats all seven years of the team's existence.

"Our team and tennis program has shown steady improvement since Plymouth opened seven years ago," Kimball continued. "We began with a freshman-only team of just 15 players."

"We now have 44 players on our roster (one of the biggest teams in the KLAA) and we are reaching new milestones each season."

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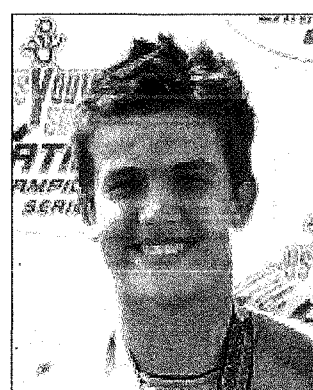
Who: Sasa Miskovic, Salem senior, boys soccer co-captain.

Miscellany: Miskovic, 18, carries a 3.53 grade-point average. His parents are Milanka and Miroslav Miskovic. Career honors include: All-State first team, All-District, All-Region, MHSAA Scholar Athlete and first-team All-Observer as a junior; first-team all-area and All-District in his sophomore year.

Captain's job: "The job of a captain is to lead the team by example. A captain is there to calm the team down and get them through the toughest and easiest times of situations in games."

Leadership style: "I am very vocal and I lead by example. On

SASA MISKOVIC

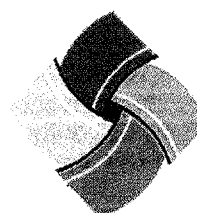


and off the soccer field, I make the right choices by being responsible, respectful to my parents and peers and being mature. I stay out of trouble and focus on school and soccer, which is what will get me through in life."

Why him?: "I am very responsible in life and the team can count on me for help. I am the last player of the 11 players on the field for my team and when I am vocal and leading them, it assists my players and helps them to do better. ... And I never give up."

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Chiefs drop key test

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The jury was still out when the state-ranked Livonia Churchill took its case to the Canton court Thursday night in a critical girls volleyball matchup.

First place was at stake in the KLAA's South Division, but when all the statistical evidence was presented, the final verdict read 25-23, 25-23, 25-19 — all in Churchill's favor.

"I think we played great defense," said Churchill coach Mark Grenier said. "We kept the ball alive and we gave ourselves some opportunities for a couple of kids that swing well. And when we do that, we have a chance."

Churchill improved to 39-4 overall and all but wrapped up the KLAA South while improving to 8-0 with two divisional matches remaining.

Canton, which squandered a 22-19 lead in the second game, falls to 20-6 overall and 6-2 in the division.

The Chiefs got a sterling effort from sophomore outside hitter Kristen Muir (16 kills, 31 digs). Senior Jordan Kieley added 13 kills and 19 assists.

Other contributions came from Alaina Turner (nine kills, four blocks), Lauren

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Macuga (18 digs) and Traci Breitmeyer (17 assists).

Canton actually had more kills (43-42) on the night than the Chargers, but still came out on the short end. In the second game alone, Canton recorded 20 kills to Churchill's nine.

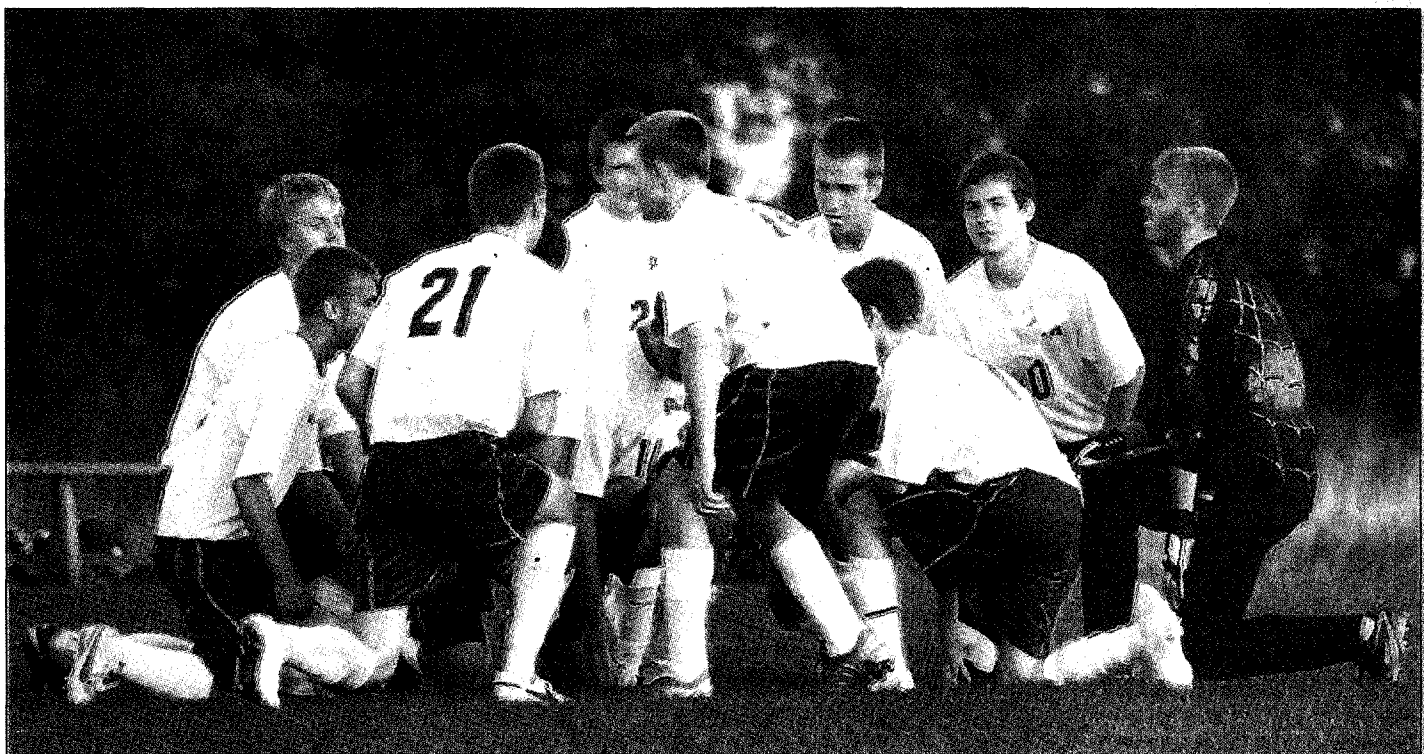
But it seemed Churchill won all the crucial points.

"There's nothing I can pinpoint," Canton coach Mary Kryska said of her team's late-set woes. "That second game we made eight hitting errors and three serving errors. If we can eliminate the errors, I feel we can beat them. Unfortunately it's the third time we've lost to them, but Churchill is a good team."

The two teams could meet again next week (Oct. 24) in the KLAA Kensington Conference tourney at Wayne Memorial.

"We've got a great rivalry with Canton," Grenier said. "We've played them three times, and even though we've come out on top the last couple, the Canton kids always show a lot of sportsmanship. They're just a bunch of nice, classy kids and I'm glad we have this rivalry with them."

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Plymouth Christian varsity boys soccer players talk strategy during halftime of Tuesday's 5-0 triumph.

Seniors pace PCA kickers to 5-0 victory

BY TIM SMITH
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Plymouth Christian's varsity boys soccer team romped to a 5-0 win over Southfield Christian Tuesday in a "Senior Day" contest that appropriately featured the strong play of seniors Blair Robinson, Jordan Machonga and Don Mullett.

The trio accounted for all five goals as the Eagles shellshocked Southfield Christian with 28 shots on goal and

BOYS SOCCER

numerous scoring opportunities. Making the most of his was Mullett, who scored three goals and added an assist.

Each chipping in with a goal and two assists were Robinson and Machonga.

"It was a great team win and one that we could enjoy on this special senior's day," said PCA co-coach Larry Machonga.

The victory upped the

Eagles' record to 7-8-1 and the team will face Huron Valley in the Division 4 district semifinals on Thursday at Allen Park Inter-City Baptist. A win there will move the Eagles into the championship set for 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24.

Machonga said it was 3-0 at halftime and he was able to play all 23 members of the team, including the nine seniors who were honored during the intermission.

In addition to Robinson,

co-captain Jordan Machonga and Mullett, the PCA senior honorees included co-captain Matt Zandee, David Baum, Nate Howard, Ethan Walker, goalkeeper Jordan Allen (who recorded his second shutout of the year) and Chad Ibach.

The big win followed a 2-1 victory against Southfield Christian the previous Saturday, Oct. 10.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Plymouth YMCA eyes grant

Liberty Mutual will soon donate a \$2,500 Responsible Community Grant to 20 youth sports organizations demonstrating their commitment to doing the right things on and off the playing surface.

The Plymouth Family YMCA is hoping to be one of the recipients.

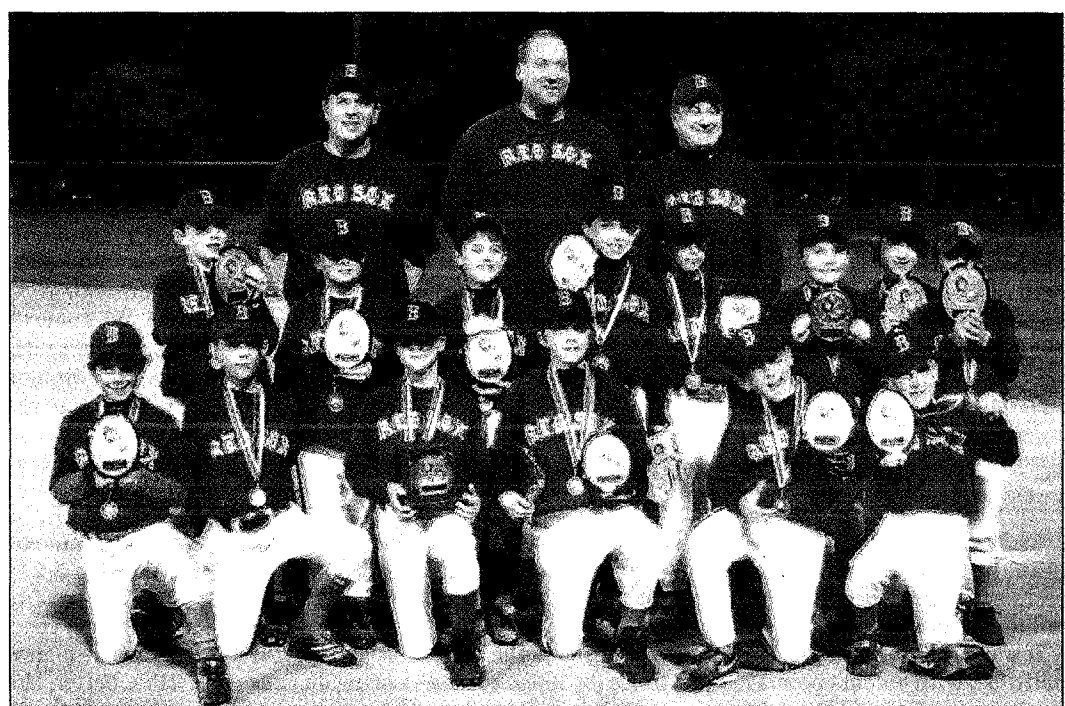
"The Liberty Mutual Responsible Sports program targets many of the issues we see happening at youth sporting events by shining a positive light on what it means to be a responsible coach and a responsible sports-parent," said Greg Gordon, vice president of Consumer Marketing at Liberty Mutual. "Beyond that, Liberty Mutual is making a significant financial contribution to support the efforts of local organizations like Plymouth Family YMCA."

The ongoing, community-based program offers meaningful, easy-to-use educational resources for youth sports parents and coaches, including access to on-the-field game and practice preparation tools as well as self-paced online courses filled with learning tools, videos and topics addressing youth sports issues.

The Responsible Sports program, including community grants, comes at a crucial time for communities where youth programs are under pressure from increasing numbers of participants, limited volunteer activity and mounting program-administration costs.

Through the resources provided by the grants, it is hoped that "our organizations thrive even under challenging circumstances."

For more information, contact the YMCA at (734) 453-2904 or



Red-hot Red Sox

The Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association's 10U Fall champions are the Red Sox, who defeated the Cubs 8-5 on Oct. 14 in the championship game. The Red Sox finished first in the regular season and earlier during the playoffs had wins over the Mets and Giants. Team members include: (front row, from left) Ben Spencer, Turner Donlin, Zach Ziroll, Ian Wunderlich, Mitch Harvey; (middle row, from left) Ryan McAuliffe, Andrew Clarke, Lucas Rhodes, Max Korff, Gedry Ziroll, Guido Costantino, Jacob Aleva, Sam Brusca; (top row, from left) head coach Pat McAuliffe, assistant coaches Rich Harvey and Bryan Aleva.

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Arctic Edge shavings

Arctic Edge on Michigan Avenue 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 learntoskatearcticedge@yahoo.com.

Time to register for YMCA leagues, classes

The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering plenty of leagues and instructional classes this fall and winter, as detailed below:

• YMCA Fall and Winter Basketball leagues are forming for children, ages 4-11. The fall session will take place from Nov. 2 through Dec. 18 with the winter session slated from Jan. 19 to March 26, 2010.

There will be one practice and one game (Friday nights) per week. The cost is \$73 for program members or \$105 for community members who register by

the Oct. 22 deadline. All participants need a YMCA Youth Sports Reversible Jersey (\$15). Programs are filled on a first come-first serve basis, so hurry in.

• There is something for everyone this Fall at the Plymouth YMCA. Registration is ongoing for Girls Volleyball Clinics (for ages 8-10 and 10-12), Basketball Clinics (for ages 6-7 and 8-9), Sports Sampler Class (for ages 3-5) and Little Dragons Martial Arts (for ages 4-7).

For more information on YMCA leagues and programs, check out www.ymcadoway.org or call the office at 734-453-2904.

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An example of how Friday night went for Canton – the football goes off the fingertips of junior receiver Ryan Powell (right) with Stevenson’s Alex Law defending in the KLAAs Kensington Conference championship game.

CHIEFS

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For as jaw-dropping as Buford’s scoring plays were, the Chiefs wound up not making enough basic plays on offense and defense.

Stevenson came back after Canton’s early TD and converted a fourth-down situation to make it 7-7, called the turning point by Gabel. The snap went to White instead of quarterback Brendan O’Hara (7-of-13 passing, 73 yards) and he threw a touchdown to Beyer.

“We were down 7-0 and our kids didn’t even blink,” Gabel said. “We just took the ball and drove down and scored. ... We’re playing with confidence because we really believe in ourselves.”

Canton senior quarterback Kevin Delapaz then was picked off to stop the Chiefs’

next drive.

The Spartans went from there and drove 52 yards, with O’Hara’s 16-yard pass to senior tight end Jordan El-Sabeh on a fourth-and-12 the key play. Scoring on an 11-yard run was White to give Stevenson a 14-7 lead.

But with 2:04 left in the first half, the Chiefs answered. Delapaz threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to junior back Ryan Powell — also on fourth down.

LEAD CHANGES

White worked some of his magic to open the second half, returning the kickoff 52 yards to give the Spartans a chance to get back in front.

But that drive stalled, with Alex Law’s subsequent punt rolling down to Canton’s 1-yard line.

On the next play, Delapaz was thrown for a safety by senior Will Burek to give

Stevenson a 16-14 lead.

The Spartans took over following the free kick and scored again, with White punching it in from 1 yard out.

Undaunted, Buford got some of it back right away, scoring from 63 yards. He hurdled one defender and broke three tackles before turning on the burners.

Canton then went back in front, 27-23, when Buford — as if shot out of a cannon — burst through the middle and was on his way to a 65-yard score.

Stevenson’s next offensive series looked to be stalling, with O’Hara apparently thrown for a big loss. But Canton was called for a facemask penalty to keep the Spartans moving.

O’Hara’s 1-yard quarterback sneak made it a 30-27 Stevenson lead with 6:21 remaining.

The Chiefs were unable to

move the ball on their next chance and the Spartans put the game out of reach on White’s third TD of the night.

“We wanted it a lot, too, and we knew it was going to be a battle,” White said. “We came out and fought our hardest. It worked out for us.”

Oddly enough, the tough defeat might be just what the doctor ordered, according to Baechler.

“This could be the best thing in the world for us,” Baechler said. “It’s definitely going to humble them a lot and get them more focused.”

“I like to be under the radar and kind of sneak up on people. We didn’t handle being front runners very well.”

Delapaz also said the defeat might be a wakeup call.

“It’s a really rough loss,” he said. “But I think it’s going to make us better. We’re going to get back to our focus. This humbled us a little bit.”

Early lead holds up for Whalers

The Plymouth Whalers built an early 3-1 lead and made it stand the rest of the way in a 3-2 victory over the Ottawa 67’s in an Ontario Hockey League game played Friday night at Compuware Arena.

Plymouth has won all of its games to date at Compuware Arena and is 4-0-0-0 on home ice and 7-4-0-0 overall. Ottawa is now 2-7-2-1.

Whalers veteran AJ Jenks (Wolverine Lake) led the Plymouth attack with a goal and an assist. Linemate Garrett Meurs also had a goal and an assist while Tyler Seguin also scored.

Plymouth dominated the first period, which began when Jenks scored 38 seconds into it.

After Travis Gibbons tied the game for Ottawa on a power play at 2:38, Meurs came right back at 3:58 with his fourth goal of season to give Plymouth a 2-1 lead.

Plymouth continued to pressure the entire period with Seguin scoring his league-leading 15th goal of the year at 12:20 of the period to give the Whalers a 3-1 lead.

The play was set up by linemate Joe Gaynor, who moved the puck from behind the Ottawa goal to the right wing side of the net and found Seguin across at the left goal line.

That would be the final goal of the night.

GIRLS SWIMMING RESULTS

CANTON 99, SALEM 87
Oct. 13 at Canton

200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Abby Aumiller, Lauren Seroka, Amanda Nilles, Jocely Lamoureux), 1:59.82; 2. Canton (Caitlin Orr, Sara Krebs, Catherine Irwin, Sara Schmitt), 2:03.75.

200 freestyle: 1. Emily Nelson (S), 2:04.08; 2. Delaney Adams (C), 2:05.90; 3. Kayla Eyster (C), 2:06.78.

200 individual medley: 1. Seroka (S), 2:13.27; 2. Irwin (C), 2:20.38; 3. Aumiller (S), 2:22.26.

50 freestyle: 1. Kari Schmitt (C), 26.29; 2. S. Schmitt (C), 27.13; 3. Nilles (S), 27.51.

1-meter diving: 1. Mallory Hudak (C), 190.05; 2. Robyn Piwowar (C), 174.05; 3. Erica Boltz (S), 143.45.

100 butterfly: 1. Seroka (S), 1:01.06; 2. Adams (C), 1:03.62; 3. Kaitlyn Dugas (C), 1:08.77.

100 freestyle: 1. Nelson (S), 56.64; 2. K. Schmitt (C), 56.74; 3. Eyster (C), 59.98.

500 freestyle: 1. Lamoureux (S), 5:31.08; 2. Irwin (C), 5:36.09; 3. Irene Li (S), 5:39.56.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (K. Schmitt, S. Schmitt, Adams, Eyster), 1:46.15; 2. Salem (Maddie Gorman, Li, Nilles, Nelson), 1:49.31; 3. Canton (Maddy McLean, Emily Pettit, Abby Madison, Christine O’Keefe), 1:49.31.

100 backstroke: 1. Aumiller (S), 1:03.20; 2. Orr (C), 1:07.89; 3. Maggie Sneiderman (S), 1:08.98.

100 breaststroke: 1. Sara Krebs (C), 1:11.81; 2. Kelly Bedro (C), 1:16.36; 3. Ashley Micek (S), 1:16.91.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (K. Schmitt, Adams, Krebs, Eyster), 3:50.48; 2. Salem (Gorman, Li, Sneiderman, Seroka), 3:55.98; 3. Salem (Maria Radzwin, Lamoureux, Aumiller, Nelson), 3:57.00.

WILDCATS

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by junior Ethan Walsh on a pass from senior quarterback Jake Peterson.

Walsh also connected on a 33-yard field goal in the second half and led the defense with 12 tackles.

But Rocks head coach Kurt Britnell said his team made too many mistakes “and didn’t get it done on both sides of the ball.”

Marcus Houston had a productive game for Salem. He rushed for 72 yards and caught three passes for another 52 yards. Peterson hit 8-of-20 passes for 101 yards.

Salem will face Canton in the regular season finale at, 7 p.m. Friday.

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Lions, Bulldogs square off in youth football games

Following is a look at the Canton Lions-Brighton Bulldogs youth football games of Oct. 3:

• Brighton's varsity returned a punt for a touchdown with less than one minute left before half to take a 12-0 lead and never looked back in route to a 30-14 win.

The Lions had a number of key contributors. James Hall scored on a 30-yard touchdown run early in the third quarter to cut into the Bulldogs' lead. Kenny Arnold followed with a touchdown carry of his own while quarterback Evan Thomas connected with Nathan Michalik on three passes during the contest.

Robert Daoud contributed with over 60 yards rushing and return yards. John Shumaker, Dean Underwood and Daniel Paulot provided

solid blocking for the Lions. Forrest Hall, Austin Fisher, Daniel Tidwell, and Antonio Ochoa led all defensive tacklers.

"The scores and overall record do not reflect the true effort of this team," said head coach Chris Tidwell. "We have an extremely young team."

• The Lions junior varsity fell 8-0 to Brighton. On a field more suited for a demolition derby, the Lions and Bulldogs spent the afternoon crashing into one another during a hard fought defensive struggle.

Patrick and Matthew Wayne provided help to a stout Lions D-Line. Also assisting in the effort were Jacob Blaylock, Ty Jasman and Alex Petrarca.

Allante Wheeler and Jakob Wickens provided some huge hits in the contest. Demarcus Kaigler recovered a fumbled

that stalled a Brighton drive.

The O-Line, led by tackles Isaac Jackson and Jackson Austin, gave a great performance too; helping the Lions move the ball into the Bulldog territory. The strong Brighton defense held the Lions scoreless despite strong games by Chucky Turfe and Daniel Kilgore.

• A low scoring, spirited game was played on a very muddy field with the freshman team coming up just short by a score of 12-6. The offensive line blocked well all day led by Ethan Balogh, Connor Flanigan, Julian Gocaj, Trevor LaPere, and Julius Crouch.

The Lions TD came on the first offensive play from scrimmage with a 60 yard run by Jason Arnold.

The defense played well all day and gave up very few

yards, led by strong tackling by Adam Abdallah, Joey Glunt, Cody Tapp, Brad Tyszkiewicz, Alan Farmer, Rubin Williams, Adam Pitcole and Teyvn Smith.

• A hard hitting game was played by the junior freshman team. The offense was led by strong line play from Robby Begley, Sheldon Lyall, Evan Petersen, Ethan Locke and Lawrence Austin, opening many big holes for touchdown runs by Bennett Austin, Steven Shoats Thomas, Darrell Harding Jr. and Justin Reynolds.

The Lions ferocious defense again held the opponent scoreless for the fourth consecutive game. Key to the shutout was the tackling of Gary Hicks, Cameron Wilborn, Jerome Nichols, Connor Woody and Ayden Lang — who also had a key fumble recovery.

TENNIS

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For example, Plymouth was undefeated in the KLAA South Division this year and earned the division championship for the first time.

"It's great to finally have a league title listed on our tennis banner that hangs in the gym," he said.

Kimball added that the squad took part in many varsity and JV tournaments and players came home with a number of trophies, medals and accolades.

"More importantly," he said, "on several occasions we had opposing coaches and parents go out of their way to let me know that they were impressed by the sportsmanship and behavior

of my players."

Kimball said wins, losses, trophies and even having a state qualifier are only part of the positive vibe surrounding the Wildcats.

Things like team dinners and social events strengthen the bond even more than what happens out on the tennis court.

"It's all about sharing a love of the sport, seeing the kids gain confidence in an activity they can easily participate in for the rest of their lives," Kimball summarized. "And it's (about) the camaraderie they enjoy from being part of a team."

On many levels, the 2009 season for Plymouth's netters has been one for them to always remember.

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WRAPS

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Wildcats clinch division

Plymouth's varsity boys cross country team clinched the KLAA South Division thanks to Tuesday's 15-50 victory over host Wayne Memorial. The win upped the Wildcats' dual meet record to 5-0, giving the team 10 straight dual meet wins over two seasons.

Coach Jon Mikosz said the match gave him a good opportunity to get some junior varsity runners experience.

For Plymouth, finishers were as follows: Stephen Balaze, 18:41; Justin Heck, 19:09; Brandon Dalton, 19:11; Andy

Phillips, 19:18; Evan Johnson, 19:18; Nick Eiben, 19:28; and Paul Ryan, 19:30.

• Also Tuesday, Canton's varsity boys harriers earned a 15-46 victory over Westland John Glenn.

Finishing in the first five spots were Canton's Paul Rakovitis (17:19), Miles Felton (17:20), Mitch Clinton (17:35), Josh Osinski (17:55) and Andrew Graziosi (18:08).

John Glenn's Ruben Maya (18:14) and Jason Suarez (18:25) nailed down spots 6-7, but the Chiefs took care of the eighth and ninth spots thanks to Keegan Sullivan (18:28) and Kurt Kowalski (18:42).

Canton improved to 4-1 in the KLAA South, while the Rockets dropped to 1-4.

Whalers 'in the pink' to fight breast cancer

The Whalers annual "Pink Out!" For Breast Cancer Awareness happens Saturday, Oct. 24 at 7:05pm against the Belleville Bulls at Compuware Arena.

The Whalers will be wearing special pink jerseys for the event and the entire team will be dying their hair pink. The game-worn pink jerseys will be auctioned off the night of the Pink Out!

Meanwhile, the Whalers team Pink Out will happen on Wednesday at Lucky Hair Company, located at 45251 Cherry Hill Road in Canton.

The phone number is (734) 844-8166. Visit them online at www.luckyhairco.com.

Plymouth players will be going to Lucky's in shifts at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. to color their hair. Fans are invited to Lucky's next Wednesday.

This means the players will be wearing pink hair a couple of days before Friday's road game against Kitchener and the Saturday Belleville contest at Compuware. In addition, that means high school pink sightings: many younger Whalers attend Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Contributing sponsors to the Whalers Pink Out! include Meijer and Stautzenberger Institute, located in Livonia.

Last season's first Whalers Pink Out! drew an unprecedented response.

Sequin OHL Player of Week

Tyler Seguin's hat trick on Oct. 10 helped him earn selection as the Boston Pizza OHL Player of the Week. The Plymouth Whalers forward lead the league in scoring with three goals and four assists in the three games played between Oct. 7-10.



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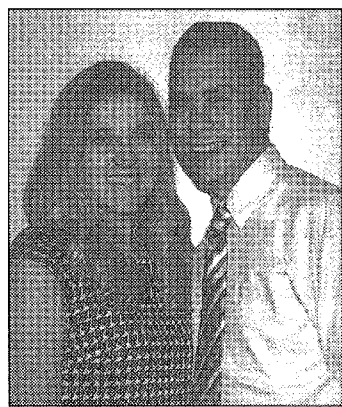
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Faist-Witt

Jessica Marie Faist and Michael Steven Witt announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of David and Marcia Faist of Pleasant Lake, graduated from Leslie High School in 2001. She completed undergraduate work in communication and English at Eastern Michigan University and graduate work in communication and global urban studies at Michigan State University. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master of Arts degree in communication with a specialization in global urban studies. She is employed by Michigan State University in the Global Urban Studies Department.

Her fiancé, son of Robert and Judith Witt of Livonia, graduated from Livonia Churchill High School in 1993. He completed undergraduate work in mechanical engineering at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and graduate work in manufacturing systems at Lawrence



Technological University. He has a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Engineering degree. He is employed by Chrysler Corporation LLC.

The Rev. Scott A. Schwertfeger and the Rev. Albert H. Meier II will marry the couple in May 2010 at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, in Ann Arbor. A reception will follow at Dale Fisher Galleries in Grass Lake.

The couple plan a honeymoon in Lima, Peru and will make their future home in Livonia.



Silver anniversary

Benedetto and Christiane Tiseo of Livonia will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on Oct. 20.

Chris was born in a small town near Marburg, Germany and came to Detroit in 1964. Ben was born in a small town near Casio, Italy and came to Detroit in 1950.

Chris graduated from Henry Ford Community College with a degree in Business Administration. After working at several corporations she decided to stay home and raise a family. After 12 years Chris decided to pick up her career and now is at Von Maur in Laurel Park Place, Livonia.

Ben served in the US Army and spent 13 months in Korea with the Second Infantry Division near the DMZ. After his honorable discharge he attended night school at Lawrence Technological University and graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Architecture in 1978. Two years later he returned as an adjunct instructor and is approaching his 30-year anniversary at LTU.

Ben and Chris first met while Chris was working in and for the Penobscot Building in Detroit. Ben was the architect on a retail space on the

first floor of the building. It was love at first sight. Ben says he was certain he was hit with 5 million volts of electricity at that instant. Thirteen months later they were married at Christ the King Church in Northwest Detroit. Their honeymoon brought them back to both Germany and Italy to visit and celebrate with family.

They moved to Livonia, from Detroit, in August of 1994 where they currently live with their son, Dominic, a junior who studies bio-medical engineering at Lawrence Tech, and their daughter, Gabriella, who attends Homes Middle School. Ben also has a daughter, Holly, from a previous marriage, who is married to Dave Hayes. They have two sons, Anthony and Nicolas, and they live in Canton.

In 1998 Ben moved his architectural practice to Livonia and has been a fixture in the community ever since. His firm, Tiseo Architects, Inc. is the architect of the Livonia Veterans Plaza at Five Mile and Farmington Road. Ben is also the architect and developer of the newly completed Eight Mile Place shopping center at the southeast corner of Eight Mile and Farmington Road.



60th anniversary

Stuart and Jean (Jameyfield) Fox of Canton celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sept. 24. The couple wed in 1949 at Calvary Church in Detroit.

Their anniversary celebration dinner with family was held at East Side Marios, in Livonia.

The Foxes are parents to seven children, grandparents to 15 and they have two great-grandchildren, with two more expected this winter.

The Foxes attend North Ridge Church of Plymouth. They plan to make Melbourne, Fla., their permanent address this year.





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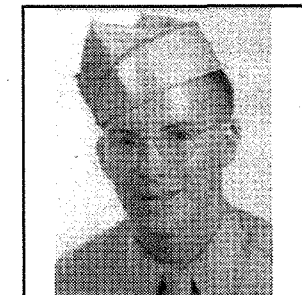
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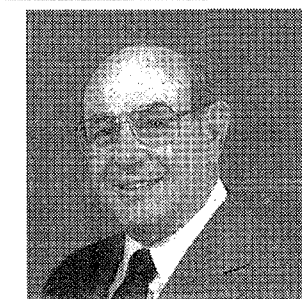
MARY S. ARBOUR

October 10, 2009 age 63 of Belleville, formerly of Plymouth. Beloved wife of Robert J. Dear mother of Robert D. (Erin), David S. (Kimberly). Loving grandmother of Quinn & Devyn. Daughter of the late Dr. Lee & Jeanne Feldkamp. Sister of Lee A. (Robin) Feldkamp, Robert (Kitty) Feldkamp, Joan (John) Thomas, Gerald (Linda) Feldkamp, Gregory (Diane) Feldkamp, Douglas (Laurie) Feldkamp, Jeannette (John) Schwab & James (Barbara) Feldkamp. Funeral was held at the Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood Rd., Westland, Wed., 11:30AM. Family received friends Mon. 5-9PM & Tues. 12-9PM. Family requests memorials to American Stroke Association. Please visit and sign a tribute at: www.uhtfh.com



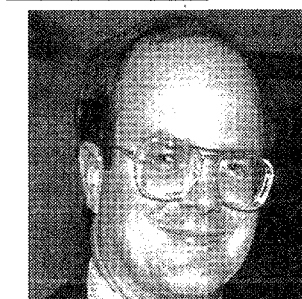
WALLACE M BARRINGER

March 7, 1926-Oct. 11, 2009. WWII combat veteran. Survived by his wife Marion, three daughters, two sons, seven grandchildren, two nephews, one niece and other family. Preceded in death by a son, Robert Hedquist. Visitation was Thursday with Funeral Friday at McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Interment at Great Lakes National Cemetery. www.mccabefuneralhome.com



ALEX BERZSENYI

Age 92, October 13, 2009. Beloved husband of the late Edith Berzensyi. Loving father of Thomas (Deborah) Berzensyi and Karen (Gabriel) Kaptur. Dear grandfather of Jordan and Hunter Berzensyi, Steven, John and James Kaptur. Dear brother of Irene Walsh and the late Katherine Komjathy and Daniel Berzensyi. Funeral Service at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, was held Friday at 11AM. Visitation was held Thursday 1-9PM. Memorials to the U.S.O. Share a memory of Alex at: www.rggharris.com



JAMES KENT COOPER

Died peacefully at home at the age of 62 on Oct. 11, 2009 from complications of a stroke. He was a loving and devoted husband, father and friend to many, and like his father before him, a truly good man. Kent received his Jurist Doctorate degree in 1977. He was a member of the State Bar of Michigan and served on the Executive Board of the Federal Bar Association, Detroit Chapter, and at various times co-chaired the Corporate-Government Section, the Employment-Labor Relations Section and the Courthouse Tours Section. He also served as a First Vice President, and Past President of the American Corporate Counsel Association, Michigan Chapter. Kent is survived by his wife Barbara, children: John and Meghan, his mother, Helen Merle Cooper, siblings: Robert (Sharon) Cooper, Douglas (Sharon) Cooper, and Elizabeth (Edward) Montojo, and many nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held, Saturday, Oct. 24 at 10:30am at the San Marino Club, 1685 E. Big Beaver, Troy 248-689-4615. Memorials are suggested to the Henry Ford Neuroscience Institute (Stroke Retreat), 1 Ford Place, 5A, Detroit, Michigan 48202

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SEAN KNOPF DEROCHE

Suddenly, October 12, 2009, age 33 of Plymouth. Loved son of Fred DeRoche and Jeanne Knopf-DeRoche. Very special brother of Kate DeRoche. Funeral Saturday 1 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Friday 3-9 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. Foundation-Sean DeRoche Scholarship. To share memories please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com.

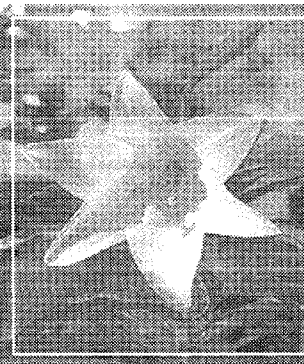
THOMAS "JOE" OTIS KING

Son of Jasper Odus and Lexie Mae Long-King of Obion County, Tennessee. Preceded in death by his beloved wife, Maxine Wilder-King, and five siblings. Survived by two sons, Thomas and James King and families, five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren and four siblings. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital.



FRANCINE V. KNOCKE

Age 74 of Sun City Center, Fla passed away October 8, 2009. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Frederick J. Knocke, and her sister, Geraldine C. Weeast. She is survived by her daughters Susane (John) Novak of Land O' Lakes, Fla, and Barbara (Mark) Parker of Essexville, MI; a brother Kenneth Gulick; two grandsons Kevin (Tamara) Morris and Kyle (Jessica) Morris and great-grandson London Morris. Fran was born January 4, 1935 in Ringoes, NJ and was an RN at Hunterdon Medical Center until 1977. She moved to Troy, MI and again as a nurse, first at Henry Ford Hospital, then Hutzel Hospital in Detroit, and then at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester, MI. She later worked in laser eye surgery and retired from the Surgery Center of Michigan in Sterling Heights, MI, before moving to Florida. She loved to garden, but her first love was art - whether creating it, or collecting it. She was an avid watercolorist and silk painter. Later in life, she became a model and actress, and in her spare time loved to go on cruises and play bridge. She touched everyone's lives she met & will be missed dearly. A visitation to honor Fran is planned for Saturday, October 31st from 6-7:30pm at the Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, 48009. Her final resting place will be at Arlington National Cemetery with her beloved Fred.



FRANCES T. MacLEAN

Age 91, of Farmington. Preceded in death by her husband, the late Lester D. (d. 2005), founding partner of the Farmington Hills and Mt. Pleasant Law Firm of MacLean, Proppe, MacLean and Darnell, PC. Loving mother of Gary T. (Denise); cherished grandmother of Scott (Kim), Ashley (Brandon) Mardossian and Bethanie; and great grandmother of Megan, Michael, Blaise and Simeon. Visitation Sunday, October 18, 2-8PM, with 7PM prayers, at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btwn. 9-10 Mile Rds., just N of Grand River), downtown Farmington (248-474-5200). Funeral Mass Monday, October 19, 10:00AM (in state 9:30AM) Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 23615 Power Rd., Farmington. Private entombment Glen Eden Mausoleum, Livonia. Memorial tributes suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital PO Box 1000, Dept. 3000, Memphis TN, 38148-0552, stjude.org, or the Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, 48207-3485, capuchins.org, heene-sundquist.com

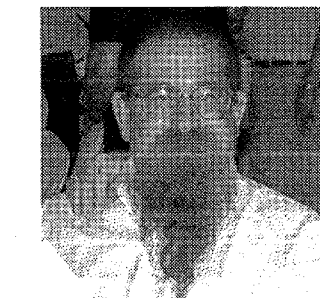
GENE MEADOWS

Age 79, of Hartland, formerly of Plymouth, died Sunday, October 11, 2009. Born March 27, 1930 in Detroit, the son of Arthur and Julia (Frazier) Meadows. Gene was a graduate of Henry Ford Trade School and the owner/operator of Art Jewelers in Plymouth. He was a member of the Plymouth Lions Club, Livingston County Wood Workers Guild and loved spending time on his tractor. He is survived by his wife Dorothy, whom he married on April 16, 1955 in Plymouth. Loving father to Robert of Hartland and James (Karen) of Plymouth. Grandfather of Ashley and James, brother of Glenn (Jean) of Georgia, Phyllis of Fowlerville and Arthur (Janice) of Florida. Visitation was Tuesday 3-8PM with funeral Wednesday 10AM from MacDonald's Funeral Home, Howell. Memorial Contributions suggested to Plymouth Lions Foundation. Please visit online guestbook at: www.macdonaldsfuneralhome.com



DORIS (DOTTIE) MENARD (THORNHILL)

Aug 2, 1923 to Oct 14, 2009. Preceded in death by her husband, Walter. Beloved mother of Doris Smith (predeceased), and Walter Jr. (Mary). Grandmother of Charles (Clare), Michael, Renee (Tim), Melissa (Morgan), and Molly (Bill). Great-Grandmother of Meredith, Devin, Christopher, Matthew, Logan, Sara, and Garrett. Memorial service at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth at 10:30 am on Mon, Oct 19. Memorial contributions can be made to: Community Foundation of Plymouth, 301 N Main St, Ste 300, Ann Arbor, MI 48104.



LARRY B. PILKINTON

52, of Redford, October 15, 2009. Cherished son of Doreen and the late Larry J. (2007). Dear brother of Anne May, and David (Les), Uncle of Martin May, Keli May, Jared (Shannon) Pilkinton and Heather (Shane) Lakner. Great uncle of Hayley. Loving grandson of Marilyn and the late Jack. Memorial Service Wednesday, October 21st, 11AM at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware, (at Puritan), Redford. Those who wish to further honor Larry's memory may make contributions to New Beginnings Church. Arrangements entrusted to the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, downtown Farmington (248-474-5200)

CLAUDE W. ROCKER

Age 97, a life long resident of Plymouth, died October 9, 2009. Beloved husband of the late Charlotte. Loving father of Claudia Schweikert, William (Sharon) and David (Susan) Rocker. Also survived by 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Visitation at 10:00 AM prior to 11:00 AM memorial service Friday October 16, 2009 at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church Street, Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to Plymouth Rock Lodge #47 or First Presbyterian Church.

PEARL CATHERINE STACER

Age 73, passed away on October 9, 2009 at home. She was born February 16, 1936 in Ruth, Michigan to Anthony & Charlotte (Clor) Seidl. She has lived in Gladwin County since 1999, previously residing in Livonia, Michigan. Pearl was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church in Edenville. She married Leonard Stacer on February 19, 1966 in Detroit. He survives her along with their children: son: Brad Stacer of Livonia; Daug: Rhonda Stacer of Westland; son: David Stacer of Hoboken, New Jersey; son: Craig Stacer of Chicago; two grandchildren: Jacob and Zachary. Pearl is also survived by her mother: Charlotte Seidl of Warren; brothers: Gerald Seidl of St. Clair Shores and Richard Seidl of Warren; sisters: Marie Szlag of Madison Hgts and Sally Cooney of Angola, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her father: Anthony and a sister: Donna Seidl. Funeral services took place at St. Anne Catholic Church in Edenville. Visitation was at Hall-Kokotovich Funeral Home 440 E. Cedar Ave., Gladwin, Michigan. She will be laid to rest in Dale Cemetery Beaverton, Michigan. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association or American Diabetes Association. hall-kokotovichfuneralhome.com

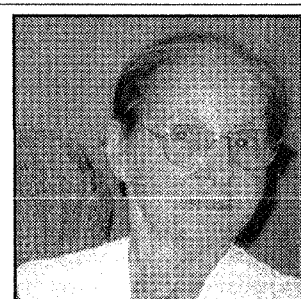


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MARGUERITE MIKLIA Dec. 29, 1919-Aug. 30, 2009

Wife of the late Donald Miklia. Surviving are her three daughters, Carol Lee Gil, Susan Thomas, Cheryl Michailov; five grandchildren, Jon, Sean, Nicole Cruger, Lisa and Todd Sculley; four son-in-laws, Basilio Gil (deceased), Robert Thomas (deceased), Peter Michailov, Martin Cruger; one sister, Carol Donahue. Mother was proud of her very culturally diverse family. Mom was a happy homemaker for most of her life. She and dad resided in Royal Oak for 41 years. Mother liked to work outside the house occasionally. She was an Avon Lady, a food demonstrator, toy demonstrator and US Census intake worker. She loved "antiquing" and collecting Hummel figurines. Mother was an avid Red Wings fan. In 1936 she worked at the Olympia Stadium. When the Wings won the Stanley Cup that year, they invited all the employees to join the celebration. Our mom drank out of the Stanley Cup and celebrated with "The Red Wings". That became her claim to fame and one of her favorite tales. Years later while eating at the Hockey Town Cafe, she was interviewed by one of the television stations. Mom told her story! That night when the television show aired, she was dubbed "Hockey Town Grandma". That title became her mantle. We all will miss her, but her stories and our memories will keep her with us.....Till We Meet Again!

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NEIGHBORS

Plymouth Newcomers foster friendships for 50 years

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Tiffany Baker is amazed by the changes in society as she looks through three large scrapbooks on the Plymouth Newcomers. Fifty years ago newspaper clippings referred to women in the club by Mrs., followed by not their first name but their husband's first and last name.

Respect for women as individuals definitely has grown since Vivian Champion gathered 32 women together to talk about launching the club's first official season in 1958-1959. Even as late as 1975 women were less concerned with themselves than their families. The topic of the luncheon meeting for February was on "How to Keep a Husband Happy" with a speaker from the psychology department at University of Detroit.

"It started as a way for brand new people to the community to come together," said Baker, president of the club now known as Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors. "Toward the end of the first decade they were starting to name first names. It shows how times have changed, the role of the woman who stayed home and took care of the household. Now women and men both do. It reflects society in general."

Fifty years fast forward and the club is mainly about families, although it also appeals to older singles and young married couples without children like Baker, a public relations specialist at Health Alliance Plan in Southfield, and her husband Colin, a Wayne State University professor.

Baker enjoys activities such as playing Euchre and Bunco and belonging to the Friendship Circle which provides meals and care for new mothers and ill members. When Baker was confined to her home for three days after hurting her back, club friends brought meals. Friendship, above all else, is at the heart of the club. For Baker, it's a way to have a family away from home. She and Colin moved to Plymouth from Lansing three years ago.

"I had gone online to get information about the community," said Baker. "The club made a huge difference in making us feel welcome."

She needed to find a new hairdresser at the time. Other people want advice finding reliable baby-sitters or they just want to make friends.



Newcomers 4th of July parade float, 1970.

VARIED ACTIVITIES

Last year 130 families shared their interests through the club which offers groups for dining out, reading books, playing board games and cards as well as scheduled times for parents and children to meet and play. Baker started a dog-sitting co-op so she wouldn't have to send six-year old Kylie to a kennel when the couple left town.

A plus is that activities and interest groups, because of the sharing and caring, cost little or nothing except for the club's \$25 annual membership for a family.

Jennifer Arapoff joined not long after moving to Michigan from the East Coast in September 2001. Although she's a Plymouth Township resident, members come from around the area including Canton, Northville and Novi.

"We were renting in West Bloomfield for a few months when I saw an ad in *Metro Parent* for play groups," said Arapoff who lives in Plymouth Township. "I had one daughter then 15 months old and have made lifelong treasured friends. As the children get older activities through newcomers tend to change. Now we do things with the grownups, the parents of those children."

Arapoff especially appreciates the Friendship Circle which provided food after the birth of her twins. Today she continues to not only take part in giving inside but outside the organization. Throughout the club's programming season (September to May) members' philanthropic work makes a differ-



Newcomers members take a factory tour in 1964.



Jeff and Katina Kovatch sing karaoke at a Newcomers Halloween party.

ence in the community whether it's bell ringing for the Salvation Army during the holidays or their current book drive for a Detroit elementary school without a library.

ACROSS THE MILES

Sheila Paton's made lifelong friends since joining the club after moving to Plymouth Township from Cleveland in 2001. Last week she traveled to Arizona to meet up with former Newcomers member Tiffany Lemmink who moved to Louisville, Ky., two years ago.

"She's celebrating her 40th birthday and her husband decided to send her on a spa trip and wanted to send me too," said Paton, who works part time in finance at University of Michigan

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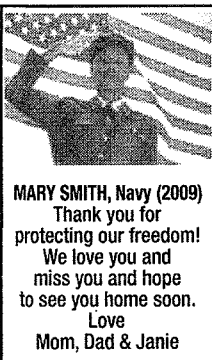
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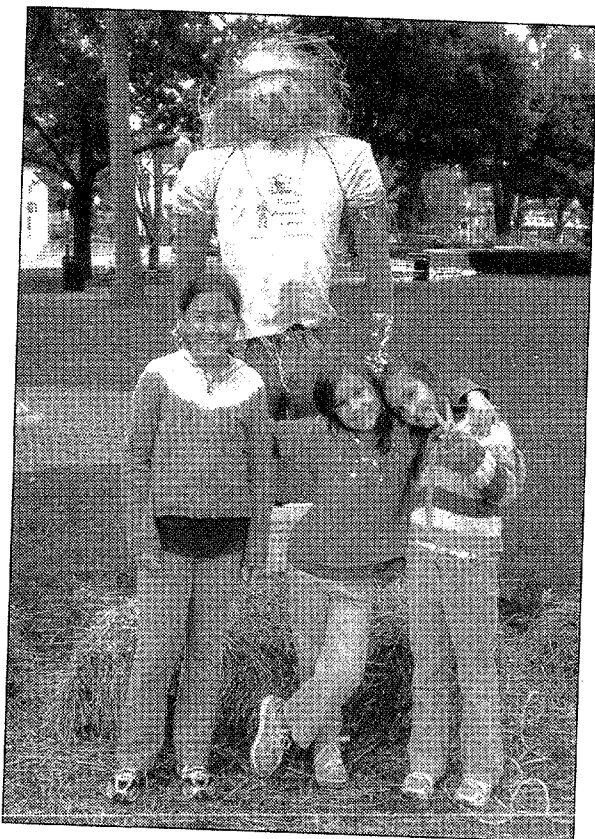
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Julia, (left) Anna and Alexa Arapoff show off the scarecrow decorated by Jennifer Arapoff and Carolyn Gage for Scarecrows in the Park. The golden scarecrow represents the Newcomers' 50th anniversary.

NEWCOMERS

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Medical Center in Livonia. "We're very good friends."

Both were from out of town when they joined Newcomers and "became each other's family."

Today daughter Adrienne, 11, and son Jacob, 9 maintain club ties just like their parents. Upcoming parties (Oct. 30-31) provide a safe environment at Halloween for children and fun for adults. New this year is Cookies & Cocoa with Santa in December and a Healthy New Year seminar on exercise and nutrition in January.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Wes Graf promotes the club whenever he encounters anyone new to the area. As executive director of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce he believes the Newcomers and chamber compliment each other. The chamber Web site (plymouthmich.org) includes a link to Newcomers.

Graf and Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume spoke at the 50th anniversary celebration at Station 885 in late September.

"When someone's new to a community they don't know where to turn first. They're uprooted and replanted so a local support network becomes significant," said Reaume who has lived in Plymouth Township 26 years. "How wonderful that a group of current caring citizens care enough about their community to want to share and welcome other new families to the area."

For more information about Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors, visit plymouthnewcomers.com or call Suman Desaraju at (734) 254-9181.



Colin Baker, (left) Tiffany Baker, Michele Hill and Bob Hill of team "Great Divide" prepare for the 2009 Road Rally.



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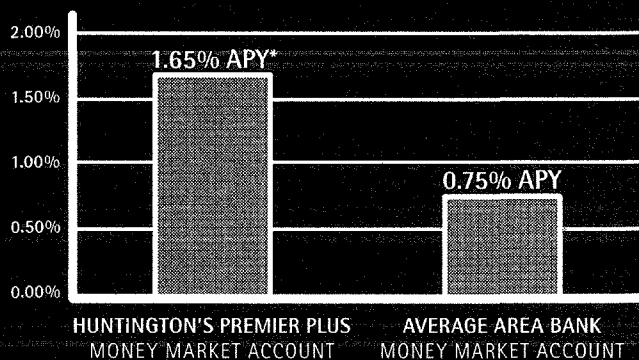
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Auction, performance

Stars Guitars, a fund-raising event that benefits the Charles A. Main, MD Pediatric Cancer Survivor Scholarship Fund of Beaumont Hospitals, is at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 24, at Dearborn's Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, Dearborn. It includes an auction featuring guitars autographed by popular musicians and a large assortment of many other items, a strolling dinner and a performance by REO Speedwagon.

Flu shots

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan will administer seasonal flu shots and pneumonia shots from 9 a.m.-noon, Oct. 20 at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia; 5-7 p.m., Oct. 24, and 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Oct. 25, at St. Colette Church, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia. Flu shots are \$25; pneumonia shots are \$50. Medicare Part B, HAP, Priority Health, Health Plus of Michigan, Blue Care Network, cash or check payable to VNAHSS accepted. Homebound service is also available. \$40 service fee. Must have a physician's prescription. Call (800) 882-5720, ext. 8752, for an appointment.

View the complete calendar online at hometownlife.com.

Good health begins with the mouth

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Kathi Shepherd isn't trying to scare anyone into seeing a dental hygienist but she does have horror stories to tell about the consequences of not receiving regular care.

Good oral hygiene is important to overall health. Her uncle was diagnosed with what physicians thought was a brain tumor. When surgeons operated they found dental bacteria in his brain. The infection left him paralyzed on the left side. Another patient died of a lung abscess due to dental bacteria.

"My uncle's teeth had not been regularly cleaned for 10 years. It was a dental infection on his brain," said Shepherd, director of educational development and outcomes assessment for the University of Detroit-Mercy School of Dentistry and the dental hygiene program. Shepherd said a daily brushing and flossing doesn't prevent tartar

buildup between the teeth, so a professional scaling at least twice a year is necessary.

"Dental hygienists go beneath gums and make sure bacteria is removed on a regular basis. Bacteria goes down and even burrows into the gum tissue. If someone does not receive below the gum line cleaning then dental bacteria enter the bloodstream and can go anywhere. When it enters the bloodstream research suggests the bacteria associated with periodontal disease poses a threat to other parts of the body."

STARTING YOUNG

Although Shepherd's uncle was 57, dental bacteria can endanger children. She refers her patients to the scientifically-based American Academy of Periodontology Web site, www.perio.org, for credible information.

"It's imperative to start early with a daily oral care routine. Now insurances are starting to cover infant oral exams even

before age 1 because dental bacteria forms the minute there's a tooth in the mouth. Even for a baby, a mother should be getting in there even with a washcloth to get the bacteria off the teeth."

Physicians are increasingly concerned about good oral care as studies continue to show a link between poor oral hygiene and total health. While gum disease resulting from bacteria affects nearly 75 percent of Americans and is the major cause of adult tooth loss, a connection has also been shown to heart disease and diabetes and possibly osteoporosis, respiratory disease and chronic kidney dysfunction. Studies are ongoing on the effects of stress, medications and genetics as well.

DENTAL HYGIENE

Wendy Kerschbaum is pleased that the rest of the world is finally taking note of the connection between routine oral care and total health. Kerschbaum started her career as a dental hygienist 39 years ago and today is director of the dental hygiene program and an associate professor at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in Ann Arbor. Years of studies have proven the link just in time to celebrate National Dental Hygiene Month which recognizes the profession dedicated to preventing decay and periodontal disease.

"We consider the mouth part of the whole body," said Kerschbaum. "You can have a lot of disease if you don't take care of your mouth."

Dental disease is usually well advanced by the time it's diagnosed making a daily oral care routine essential to wellness. The American Dental Association recommends brushing twice a day, flossing and using an anti-microbial mouth rinse that says it kills germs or bacteria and is not just a mouth freshener. Kerschbaum suggests using fluoridated toothpaste and a soft toothbrush that's replaced once the bristles start to splay outward.



SMOKING, DIET

Recent studies show tobacco may be one of the most significant risk factors in the development and progression of periodontal disease. Diet can be a contributing factor to dental disease as well. A diet low in important nutrients can make it harder for the body's immune system to fight off infection in the mouth and other parts of the body, said Shepherd.

One study found men and women who have calcium intakes lower than half of the dietary recommendation of 500 milligrams are twice as likely to have periodontal diseases. Another found individuals with less than 60 milligrams of Vitamin C a day were at nearly 1 1/2 times the risk of developing severe gingivitis, a periodontal disease affecting gum tissue. A recent study suggested antioxidants in green tea may help reduce periodontal disease and other inflammatory diseases of the heart and bone.

"Our diet either contributes or protects against decay," said Kerschbaum. "Carbohydrates like sugar, some crackers, dried fruits,

in an at-risk person could contribute to decay as does how long you expose the teeth to this sugar, how frequently in a day. Consume sugar at meal time not between meals."

Avoid breath mints unless sugar free. Sipping on sugar containing liquids whether coffee, pop or fruit juices leads to cavities as well. Diet pop is as harmful because the acidity erodes teeth.

Your smile affects more than health though.

"It's the issue of aesthetics or how we look," said Kerschbaum. "In today's world when you're talking about competing for jobs a smile does become an important attribute."

The University of Michigan School of Dentistry offers student and faculty clinics for routine cleanings and checkups. For information, visit www.dent.umich.edu and click on patients, or call (734) 763-6933 or toll free (888) 707-2500.

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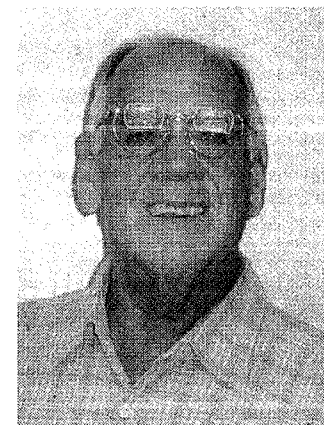
"My life ended at my front door, but this gave my life back," said Roberts. "You saved my life."

David Welch sought to read without hand magnifiers and drive with confidence. The doctor prescribed one pair for driving and another for reading. "No other specialists helped me like Dr. Smith," said Welch, moved to tears by seeing better.

"Today we can make durable eyeglasses that noticeably improve sight," said Dr. Smith. They can be used anywhere, unlike electronic tabletop magnifiers. And unlike awkward, clumsy hand magnifiers, spectacles are

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"We prescribe surgical quality telescopes for sight loss," said Dr. Don Haiderer of Low Vision of Michigan. "They are custom focused for simplicity of use and make your eyes see the best possible. Details look bigger, closer and easier to make out."



David Welch with driving glasses

Whether helping some one see faces and television, read, drive, work a computer, knit, play cards or sight see, one thing remains constant. Urgency is critical to success.

Treating vision loss promptly always gives better outcomes. There is no advantage in doing nothing, living with flawed vision, waiting to get worse. Sight may change slowly or not at all. Waiting just puts off seeing better and frustrates people.

When reading resumes, visual and language skills stop regressing and start improving. When starting early, milder devices are usually effective. If necessary, evolving to stronger devices is easier after mastering mild ones.

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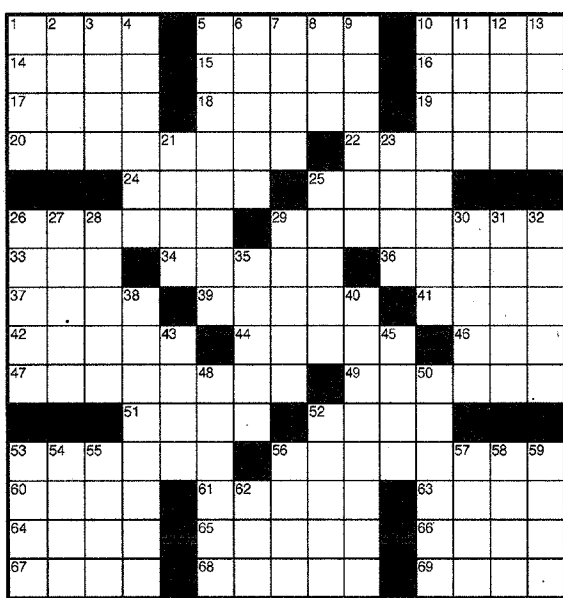
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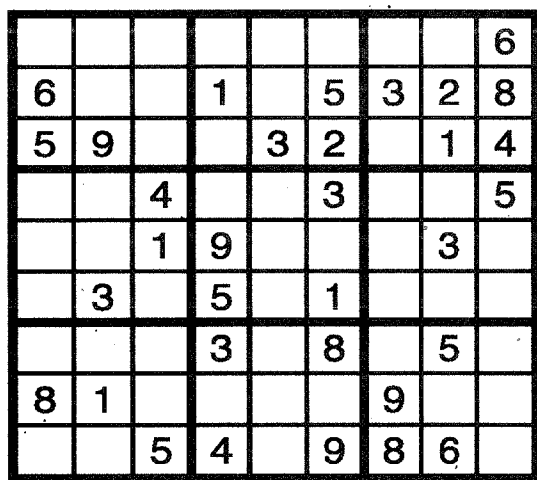
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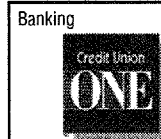
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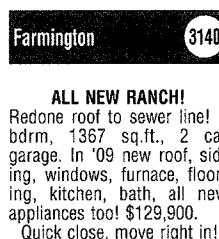


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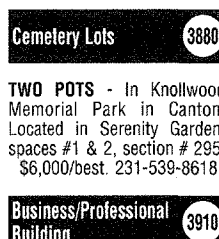
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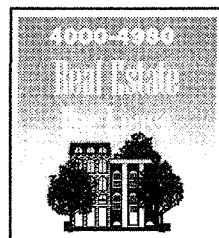
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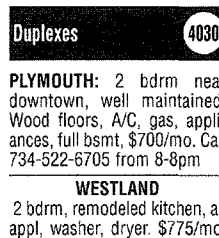
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SWF, 48, 57", 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys R&B, jazz, dancing, dining, blues, sports. Seeking sexy, serious SBM, 27-40. Are we compatible? **✉310533**

MUSICAL GIRL

Christian WF, 19, enjoys playing guitar, singing, going to church and more. Looking for SM, 19-25, who enjoys the same things. **✉292258**

PLUS-SIZED LADY...

34, 200lbs, sexy single mom, looking for SM, 37+, for friendship and dating leading to LTR. Is this you? Call me! **✉217234**

POSITIVE OUTLOOK

DWCF, 72, looks much younger, 5'2", long dark brown hair, brown eyes, N/S, N/D, seeks SWM for friendship, possible LTR. **✉656264**

LOOKING FOR SOUL MATE

Hi! I'm a widowed, white female, 58 years old, dark blonde hair, blue eyes, I wear glasses. I enjoy reading, music, old movies, going to north, museums, historical places, quiet evenings at home, and gardening. I have a good sense of humor and love to laugh. I am also a very caring and considerate person. **✉137067**

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. **✉289947**

VERY DOWN-TO-EARTH

SBF, 37, 5'5", 125lbs, slim build, enjoys nice walks in the park, movies, bowling, basketball games. Seeking SBM, 30-43. **✉299111**

ARE WE A MATCH?

SBF, 38, very shapely, N/S, light drinker, very independent, loves movies, sports, shooting pool, dining. Seeking SBM, 35+, very independent, who enjoys life, movies, etc. **✉299793**

LADY OF QUALITY

SBF, 30-something, 5'7", laid-back, down-to-earth, seeks open, honest, loyal, faithful professional man, 35-55, for LTR. No games, race open. **✉310218**

TAKE A CHANCE ON ME

SWPF, 48, educated, HW proportionate, seeks educated, professional male, 40-55, N/S, with sense of humor. Let's meet for coffee or a drink. **✉311355**

CURVACEOUS

SWF, 47, 5'7", 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys r&b music, jazz, dancing, dining out, blues, sports. Seeking SBM, 21-42, with similar interests, for friendship first, possibly more. **✉283605**

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. **✉962317**

AWESOMELY UNIQUE

Single mom, 35, seeks honest, kind, caring, compassionate, unique man, 25-50, for friendship first. Want to know more? Call me. **✉321196**

PETITE AND CUTE

SWF, 35, great sense of style, very friendly, would like to meet a SWM, 36-45, who will love me for me. **✉294943**

THAT SPECIAL ONE

SBF, 39, enjoys movies, walks in the park, picnics, just chilling. Looking for SBM, 39-45, for possible relationship. **✉55026**

SEEKING STRONG BM

Can you handle me? SBF, mid 40s, healthy and beautiful, seeks strong, bald BM, 40-62, who knows how to handle his own business. I'm laid-back, gentle, soft. **✉295568**

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. **✉295421**

SEEKING A MATURE MAN

Attractive SBPF, 35, N/S, N/Drugs, would like to meet respectable, happy SBPM, 25-50, to enjoy life together. **✉300680**

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. **✉310924**

SINGLE DAD WELCOME

PBF, 40, looks younger, attractive, independent, loving, caring, enjoys working, dining out, quiet times at home. Seeking handsome, well-built, warm-hearted, considerate WM, 36-43, to share what life has to offer. **✉298002**

SEEKING A REAL MAN

Retired SBF, 48, likes the internet, watching tv, shopping, visiting friends, picnics, taking walks, parks, dining, hanging out with friends. Looking for a SBWM, 29-58. **✉314707**

ARE YOU OUT THERE?

SBF, 36, 5'4", 160lbs, brown/brown, drama-free, disease-free, looking for SW/BM, 35-60, to talk to. I like movies, music, hanging out, travel, having fun. **✉317137**

HONEST AND CARING

Sensitive SWF, 41, 5'5", likes Bon Jovi and Van Halen, spaghetti dinners, gardening, hockey and baseball, old movies, arts and crafts, picnics, reading. Looking for a gentleman, 45-57, race open, for friendship. **✉318717**

COULD YOU BE THE ONE?

Bright, spunky, pretty SF, 47, educator, outgoing, pretty eyes, wishing to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. **✉30694**

DOWN-TO-EARTH WOMAN

WF, full-figured, autism, looking for a guy who likes books and more intellectual pursuits. I enjoy jazz and classical music. 45-65. **✉321569**

LET'S TALK SOON!

I am 52", in my 60s, brown hair, brown eyes, W/LTM tall, well-groomed, neat SWPM, 64-70, who likes to travel, cards, casinos, dining out, exercise etc. Is this you? **✉982305**

ACTIVE WOMAN

SWF, 58, dark hair and eyes, N/S, social drinker, likes bowling, bingo, garage sales, funny movies and more. If you would like to meet for coffee, let me know. **✉262181**

OUTGOING

BF, 24, student, looking for BM, 35-45, to go out and have fun with. Friendship first, hopefully leading to LTR. **✉292940**

PRETTY EYES

SBF, 33, voluptuous in all the right places, enjoys life, long walks, intellectual conversation. Seeking SM, 30-50, similar interests. **✉299970**

CALLING ALL GOLFERS!

WWF, 62, seeking golfer, best friend, 62-70, must be honest, N/S, and active. Looking for LTR, don't delay call now. **✉976914**

WEST SIDE BEAUTY

Professionally employed in the beauty field. SWF, 56", slender, 54, seeks a gentleman, 44-52, HWF, many interests including music, movies, cultural events, camping, and most things outdoors, light smoker, for friendship leading to relationship. Sincere responses only. **✉230791**

SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP

Attractive SWF, 55", 125lbs, fun-loving blonde, retired, would love the companionship of a pleasant gentleman, 65-75. **✉91247**

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. **✉29171**

READY TO SETTLE DOWN?

WF, 55", blonde/brown, loves horseback riding, movies, cooking, quiet nights at home, reading, going out, playing sports. Seeking a family-oriented WM, 38-44, who likes the same things. **✉321514**

LET'S MEET VERY SOON!

Affectionate SWF, 58, full-figured, N/S, conversational, passionate, very loving, seeks a big cutely teddy bear, 45-65, who would love to share warm and quiet times together. **✉322666**

I NEED LOVE

Fun-loving, down-to-earth, outgoing, smart SBF, 20, loves having fun. Seeking SB/WM, 18-30, who shares my lust for life. **✉300110**

SEEKING SBM COMPANION

I'm short and cute, brown eyes, black hair, honest, funny, good cook, very sincere. I hope to find a friend/companion to enjoy things with. Preferably 55-75. Life is too short - have fun with me. **✉302311**

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. **✉282618**

TAKE A CHANCE

SBPF looking for SBM, 45-57, with no children at home, who likes to have a good time. I enjoy going to movies, dining out, the park, outdoor and indoor activities. Let's develop a friendship first, possibly leading to more. **✉306228**

MUST LOVE THE LORD

SBF, 18, 5'8", gospel singer, God-fearing, looking for similar SB/HM, 18-27, for possible relationship. **✉311174**

LOOK NO FURTHER

SBF, 18, 5'4", long black hair, light brown eyes, wants to meet that SBM, 18-22, who is tired of playing games. **✉311011**

DBF SEEKS LTR

Attractive, thick BF seeks LTR with totally unattached male, 48-65, not into games. Must be ready to start a new found friendship and see where it goes. Ballroom dancing is a plus. **✉310736**

SEEKING A GENTLEMAN

WF, 59", blonde/blue, would like to meet a young-at-heart WM, 40-70, to hang out with, date and have a good time with. **✉310164**

TIERED OF BEING ALONE

DBF, 60, 5'3", full-figured, N/S, loving, independent, intelligent, down-to-earth, great sense of humor, enjoys going out and romantic evenings at home. Seeking SDBM, 50+, with similar qualities and interests, who wants to enjoy the rest of life with no drama. **✉311763**

SOPHISTICATED LADY

SBF, middle-aged, attractive, laid-back yet serious-minded and responsible, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-69, N/S, responsible, good sense of humor, with good values and morals, for serious relationship. **✉207254**

WANTED: MATURE MAN

Semi retired nurse, WF, dark hair, blue eyes, 5', N/S, enjoys travel, history and home life. Looking for an honest, loyal man, 60-70, N/S, for a possible LTR. **✉320985**

GET TO KNOW ME

Loving, open-minded SBF, 60, 145lbs, attractive, enjoys music, dining, concerts, travel, ISO honest, compassionate SM, 57-65, N/S. Possible LTR. **✉963760**

I NEED A LOVE...

to keep me happy. Attractive, classy, delightful, charming WF, 49, no kids, seeks SWM, 45+, no kids, N/S, fun, loving, caring. **✉580559**

VERY CUTE

SBF, 58, 5'3", 122lbs, intelligent in fit, good-looking, confident male, 48-60, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. **✉113198**

ARE YOU SEEKING?

DWF, 60s, 5'2", Italian, brunette, attractive, well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes theater, travel, dining, fitness. Wishing to meet N/S WM, 60-72, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dating. **✉630808**

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

ENTREPRENEUR

SWM, 54, 5'11", 170lbs, no children, looking for a lady, 29-58, one child ok, who wants some companionship. **✉323065**

HARD-WORKER

SWM, 45, 5'5", short brown hair, grown kids, enjoys music, playing guitar, travel. Looking for similar SF, 35-45. **✉296097**

A SPECIAL GUY

DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DWF, w/sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, dining, and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. **✉269546**

A GREAT GUY

Good-natured, good-looking SWM, 41, energetic, versatile, fun, passionate, into boating, casinos, flea markets. Seeking conversation SWF, for conversation and connection. **✉176478**

HARDWORKING

SM, 47, 6'2", 190lbs, one child not at home, likes trying new things, going out occasionally, out-dining and watching movies at home. Seeking a mature woman, 42-47, who has the same interests. **✉322840**

LET'S ENJOY LIFE

Laid-back SWM, 55, enjoys playing pool, flea markets, walking and more. Would like to meet a female, 48-58, who is as laid-back as I am. **✉322736**

SOMEONE TO TALK TO

SBM, 65", 230lbs, N/S, N/D, athletic build, clean shaven, mustache and goatee, professionally employed homeowner, looking for SF, 30-45. **✉323187**

WANT TO MEET?

SWM, 23, 6'3", brown/blue, average build, looking for a cool SWF, 21-24, to hang out with and get to know. **✉323069**

ARE YOU OUTGOING?

SBM, 38, looking for SBF, 26-38, for long-lasting relationship. N/S, N/D, no drugs. You must be sincere, honest and respectful. I love movies, dining, sports, walks in the park. **✉310527**

SPEAK TO ME

BM, 46, 6'1", 180lbs, bald head, secure professional, would like to meet a nice BF, 25-42, with a slender build, who is intelligent, attractive and has morals and high standards for herself. **✉321898**

MAXIMUM RETURN ON...

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LETS GET GOING!

SWM 40s, attractive, good shape, great listener, enjoys good conversation, friendship, spontaneous fun, and laughter, seeks personable SWF for dating and more. **✉128302**

EASYGOING

Sharp, sociable SWM, 45, with good character and pleasant personality, likes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. W/LTM SWF, for dating and fun times. **✉187614**

FEMININE LADY WANTED

Attractive SWPM, 48, 5'10", 190lbs, 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. **✉291990**

CALL ME!

SWM, 45, likes sports, working out, cooking, bodybuilding. Looking for a similar lady for LTR. **✉319016**

SOUTH AMERICAN SF WANTED

WM, 63", dark hair, blue eyes, good sense of humor, likes concerts, movies, dining out. Seeking South American SHF, 18-52, for LTR. Will answer all calls. **✉320560**

SEEKING EBONY WOMAN

Attractive SWPM, 41, seeking BF for dating. New to area and looking to explore the city. Sense of humor, easygoing, attractive, HW proportionate, affectionate, established, likes to travel. **✉262579**

IT COULD BE ME!

SWM, 35, 6', brown/blue, muscular build, looking for special SF, 18-31, to hang out with and get to know. **✉294679**

LET'S TALK

SWM, 40, 5'5", loves to party! Looking for a female companion, 18-35, for friendship first, possibly more if it develops! **✉294946**

TALK TO ME!

SM, 36, 6'2", 210lbs, medium build, loves working out. Seeking sweet, loving, caring, kind SW/BF, 35-45. **✉294942**

MATURE WOMAN WANTED

SBM, 38, 6'1", 207lbs, dark complexion, no kids, N/S, N/D, looking for SBF, 29-40, with same qualities. No drama! **✉295452**

TAKE A CHANCE

WM, 38, likes cars, all kinds of music, having fun, movies and more. Looking for a woman, 30-59, to have fun with. **✉296181**

LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS

WM, 62", 200lbs, light brown/blue, N/S, clean-shaven, down-to-earth, looking for a female, 25-45, HW proportionate, N/S, for dating. **✉296310**

LET'S TALK

BM looking for BF, 26-54, with good sense of humor who loves bowling, long walks and more. **✉296604**

BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS WANTED

SBM, early 40s, seeks attractive, younger lady, 28-45, for romance, companionship, must be independent and shapely. Serious replies only. **✉584501**

TIERED OF GAMES?

Intelligent, attractive guy, 38, 6', slim, seeks woman, 30-40, slim/average build. I like movies, music, sports, concerts, etc. Open to new things you might like. Look forward to your call! **✉297179**

FUNNY & ATTRACTIVE

SWM, 44, 5'7", like outdoor activities, cooking, movies, kids, animals. Seeking SWF, 30-45, to spend time together. **✉297143**

LET'S GET TOGETHER

BM, 61", 220lbs, would like to meet a woman, 25-48, who knows what she wants

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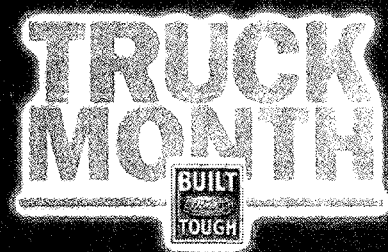
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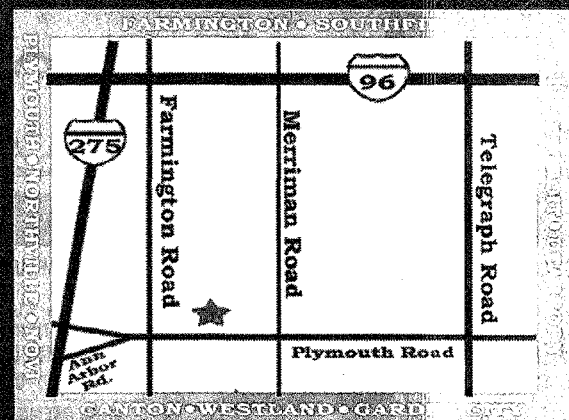
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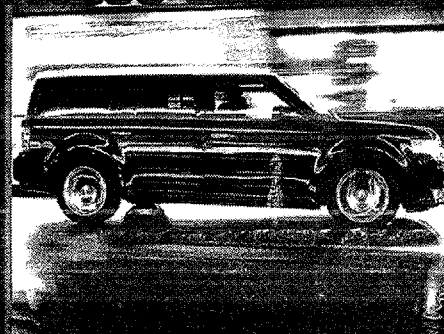


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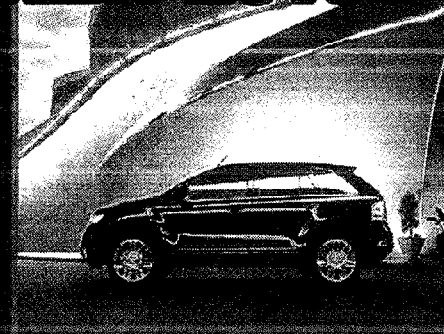
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