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### Taste event

A wine and food tasting to raise funds for the Canton Goodfellows, Open Door Ministries and the Leadership Canton Alumni Scholarship Fund is set for 7-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6, at Waltonwood at Cherry

There will be approximately 20 wine tables with a wide variety of red and white wines. An assortment of hors d'oeuvres is also included in the ticket price. Space is limited to 300 guests. Tickets are \$35 in advance, and, if available, \$40 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at Holiday Market and the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

The event is sponsored by Holiday Market, Waltonwood at Cherry Hill and the Leadership Canton Alumni Association in cooperation with the Canton Chamber of Commerce and Charter Township of Canton.

For more information, call the Canton Chamber of Commerce, (734) 453-4040, or the Canton Supervisor's office, (734) 394-

### Tricks, treats

Canton Leisure Services host the annual Trick or Treat Parade through the Summit on the Park 4-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30. Children are encouraged to dress in costume if they'd like and follow the Trick or Treat path from room to room, each filled with fun surprises and special treats.

The suggested ages are 6 and under for the "Little Goblin's Trail," and ages 7 to 12 for the newly added "Wizards and Witches Trail."

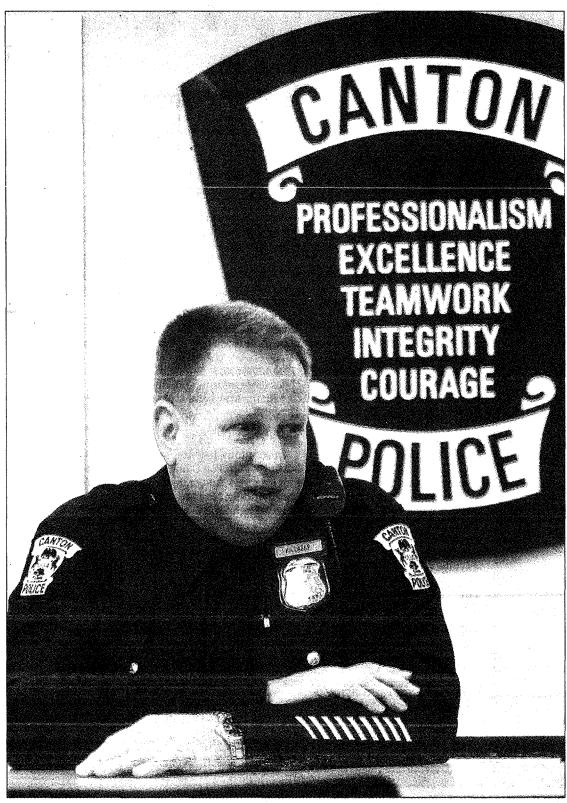
For more information contact the Summit on the Park at (734)

### Town half

State Representative Dian Slavens (D-Canton) is hosting an informational town hall meeting on Monday, Oct. 26, at 6:30 p.m. in Canton for residents to learn how mass transit and public transportation options can create jobs and grow the economy in Western Wayne County.

Topics to be covered by guest presenters include high-speed rail, light rail and bus rapid transit, including Slavens; state Rep. Marie Donigan (D-Royal Oak), a member of the House Transportation Committee; Carmine Palombo, Southeast Council of Governments; and John Swatosh of the Regional Transit Coordinating Council.

The town hall meeting takes place at the Summit on the Park Community Center Professional Development Center, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.



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## Been there, done that

## Longest-serving officer retires having seen it all

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Retiring Canton Police Officer Keith Lazar reflects on his career

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Somebody had to catch it so Officer Keith Lazar bagged a 7-foot python found behind a Canton shopping plaza.

**OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

He has captured a 7-foot python, investigated the grisly murder of a woman whose body was locked in a basement freezer, helped make a particularly crime-plagued neighborhood safer, and watched as Canton farmland evolved into bustling neighborhoods.

It seems Keith Lazar — currently the township's longest-serving police officer — has earned his retirement after 29 years on the job.

'I've enjoyed the job immensely," said Lazar, a 52-yearold patrol officer who retires Nov. 6. "I would do it all over again."

Lazar was hired Aug. 4, 1980. It was the same year Detroit hosted the Republican National Convention won by Ronald Reagan, Taxi captured television's Emmy for best comedy show, and Kool and the Gang proved with Celebration that disco wasn't quite dead.

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## **Canton eyes** new post for legal issues

BY DARRELL CLEM **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

In a move to rein in outside attorney fees and streamline legal functions, Canton's elected officials have created a new managerial-level position similar to what some communities already have in place.

The job — manager of legal services and contract administration — will pay between \$83,344

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and \$108,348 a year. It isn't certain when the appointed post, created Tuesday by the Canton Township Board of Trustees, will be filled and the

salary set. The new manager

will work closely with township officials and department directors to oversee legal work such as potential litigation, contractual issues and legal matters involving outside vendors who do business with Canton.

"I know it will (reduce legal costs)," Trustee Pat Williams said. "There needs to be a gate-keeper, and this individual will play that role to sort out the quick, easy answers. I'm strongly in favor of

Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said department heads and managers have long faced challenges to decide when legal issues need resolving by outside attorneys — often resulting in a cumbersome process plagued by unnecessary fees and duplication of work.

"The use of a manager of legal services and contract administration would greatly enhance the township board in making recommendations and aiding departments in developing language for bids, contracts and policies." LaJoy said.

Officials said the new manager will have a set salary, rather than current practices in which legal fees start mounting every time a telephone call is made for an attorney's advice. That said, many issues still will be handled by outside law-

"I do believe there will be a savings," Williams said, because township staff will have "one-stop shopping" for legal matters.

During Tuesday's township board session, Trustee John Anthony asked one township-hired attorney, Tim Cronin, if he might be interested in applying for the job. Anthony called Cronin "a lawyer's lawyer" and "the best I've seen."

Cronin politely deflected Anthony's question. Cronin, addressing the township board Tuesday, said he believes the decision to create a legal manager can prove helpful to Canton. However, he cautioned local officials to allow a learning curve for whomever is hired; otherwise, he said, "you're setting it up for failure."

Township Human Resources Manager David Medley said the new position will be advertised. and candidates will be asked to fill out questionnaires before finalists are called in to appear before an oral interview board.

Medley will eventually narrow the field to three candidates, and LaJoy will choose an appointee from those. Medley said it's possible the job may not be filled until early next year, depending on how long the process takes.

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## District calls for formula change in face of latest cut

BY BRAD KADRICH . OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As the cuts get deeper into his district's perpupil foundation grant, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Craig Fiegel thinks it's becoming more important to look at the way that money is disbursed.

Faced with the latest announcement by Gov. Jennifer Granholm that she'll take another \$127 per pupil away from districts if the Legislature doesn't find another way in 30 days, Fiegel renewed a call for revision of the formula for distributing the money.

"I think the formula is inequitable," said Fiegel, in his second year at Plymouth-Canton, where he came from an Illinois district. "They fund schools at different levels for no apparent reason, outside of that's where they were 15 years ago when the formula went into place."

The latest cuts announced this week by Granholm come on the heels of a previous cut of \$165 per pupil. The combined cuts, if they become effective, would strip Plymouth-Canton of some \$5.5 million from its budget.

The cuts are across the board, so that districts at the lower end of the funding spectrum are losing just as much cash as those at the higher end. However, as a percentage of their budgets, those districts are hurt more by the cuts.

That's what Fiegel would like to see changed. "I think they need to look at the formula, and how they tax to get the revenue to fund schools," Fiegel said. "A good formula would have a mix of property, income and sales tax, so that when one's down maybe it doesn't affect all of them.

"Now, in this economy, that might not be the case," he added. "But generally you're not asking

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once source to fund everything."

The cuts will cause administrators to comb the budget again, something they'd already done — more than once — in trying to cover the initial cuts.

Fiegel said administrators were comfortable they could survive the first wave of cuts.

"We felt like we were in a position within our budget that we could tighten up ... we had more students, so that impact was lessened a little," Fiegel said. "We felt we could hold the line on some things, and probably use some cash reserves to meet that need, and we'd be OK this year. The chal-

But with deeper cuts come deeper problems, leaving the district to either cut programs or dip deeper into its fund balance. But Fiegel said doing that to survive this year's cuts only delays the inevitable if nothing else changes.

"The more you have to do that this year, the less flexibility you have next year. It just makes the job that much more difficult," Fiegel said. "We could weather the storm for a year. Using some of that at this point is reasonable, but it's not a good practice. If you use your savings account, that's onetime dollars. You don't get that again."

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lenge would be getting it out of future budgets.

announce upcoming events taking place in the community. Items will run on a space-available basis. Send details to bkadrich@hometownlife.com

#### First Step program

"Around Canton" is designed to

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.

#### McCotter staff hours

The staff of Congressman Thaddeus McCotter (Michigan District 11) conducts office hours in Canton and Plymouth Thursday, Nov. 5.

This time is set aside so that the citizens served by the congressman have the opportunity to speak with a staff member for assistance regarding any federal issue that they might have.

McCotter's staff will be available 9-10 a.m. at the Canton Summit Senior Center, and then 12:30-1:30 p.m. at the Plymouth District Library.

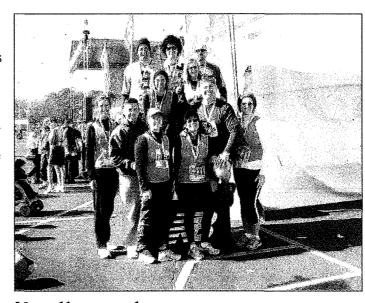
McCotter has two offices in the district to serve his constituents. The Livonia office can be reached by calling (734) 632-0314 or the Milford office is available at (248) 685-9495. Any comments of a political nature should be directed to the office closest to you.

#### Halloween bash

**Plymouth-Canton Schools** has teamed up with High Velocity Sports to sponsor a Halloween Bash 12:30-3:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30. The event

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### **Marathon madness**

At least two teams of local folks had what they called "great friends having a fun time" in the Detroit Free Press Marathon. The friends divided into relay teams of men (The Vipers) and women (the Kit Kats) to complete the 26.2-mile race. Pictured are (top, from left) Daniel Kight, Chris Forney and Brian Kight; (middle, from left) Kelly Wessner, Vic Avram, Allison Kight, Jackie Kight, David McGrath and Tammy Forney; and (front) Eileen Avram and Amy McGrath.

will take place at High Velocity Sports, 48245 Michigan Ave., in Canton for ages 1-10 years old.

Activities will include several Pinatas, costume contests, party games, and Halloween music.

The cost is \$5 per child in advance, or \$6 per child at the door. Adults are free. Tickets can be pre-purchased by calling (734) 487-7678.

For more information, contact Elaine Matthews at (734) 487-7678.

#### **Chiefettes clinic**

The Canton Chiefettes are hosting a Pom Pon Clinic for kids ages 5-14 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at the Canton High School gym in the Phase III building.

Kids will learn a pom routine and a short dance routine. Cost is \$45 per child and includes a T-shirt, poms and a snack. Discounts are available for additional siblings and for participants of the August 29 clinic. Parents are invited to watch their daughters perform at 2:30 p.m. All girls attending are invited to perform at a Canton Varsity Basketball game

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Registration is from 11-11:30 a.m. the morning of the clinic. Visit our Web site at www.cantonchiefettes.com to pre-register and save \$5 before Nov. 13. Registration is limited to the first 100 participants.

For more information e-mail pomclinic@cantonchiefettes.

#### 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-

#### Congregational Church Fair

"Snow Fashioned Christmas." the theme of the 63rd church

Fair at the First Congregational Church of Wayne, 2 Towne Square, will be held Thursday and Friday, Nov. 5-6 from 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

The Fair will feature the Christmas Shop with many handmade items for decorating your home or for gifts, the Candy Booth with homemade candies and sweets, and the country store with home canned vegetables, jellies and pickles. The boutique offers handmade quilts, sweaters, blankets and much more. Other shops with unique goods are the Specialties Shop, the Secret Closet, Attic Treasures, Book Store, Men's Booth and the Variety Shop.

In addition, meals will be served. Lunch (soup, salad, sandwiches, cake and beverage) will be served both Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Dinner will be served both days from 5-7 p.m. On Thursday, dinner will feature turkey or ham, and on Friday it will feature turkey dinner or Swiss steak. Cost for meals is \$8 for adults, and \$4 for children age

Raffle tickets will be available for a quilt made by the church's quilters, a wooden bird house made by a church member and a doll house made by church members. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

The Coffee Shop is open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and some goodies before and after you shop.

#### Craft show

St. Thomas a'Becket Church, located at 555 S. Lilley in Canton, is accepting applications for its annual Christmas Craft Show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5.

All interested crafters should e-mail stabcraftshow@yahoo. com or call (734) 981-1333.

#### 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.

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## Roundtable effort works for greater inclusion

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Dr. Syed Taj became a political trailblazer last year when he became the first India-born candidate ever elected to the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

"It was tough," Taj said.

He campaigned diligently by talking one-on-one with residents, drawing support from his medical patients, seeking votes in places of worship and gaining the endorsement of the Democratic Party.

"Canton has been very ahead of the game in inclusion," Taj said, "but of course there's always room for improvement."

Taj's achievement is what the Plymouth-Canton Citizens for Diversity and Inclusion hopes will become more common not only in elected offices, but also among school district positions, police departments, appointed boards and, indeed, organizations across local communities.

The volunteer group believes representation should reflect the increas-

ingly diverse population of the Plymouth-Canton area, said member Anne Marie Graham-Hudak. "We want to make sure there are no barriers to minorities or anyone." she said.

Guided by the Michigan Roundtable
— a statewide organization dedicated to
the same goals — the local group's strategic planning committee has worked this
year in focus groups, community meetings
and other venues to develop an action plan
to promote diversity and inclusion.

The effort continues during a meeting scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, at Canton High School, 46181 Joy Road. The public is invited, and Graham-Hudak said specific goals and details will be unveiled by the diversity group's strategic planning committee.

Graham-Hudak said scores of people have been involved in the effort, at times working in separate groups to discuss education, law enforcement, public representation and other areas. She said other goals include ensuring that local communities don't have policies and procedures in place that could discourage, even unintentionally, participation by a wide range of people.

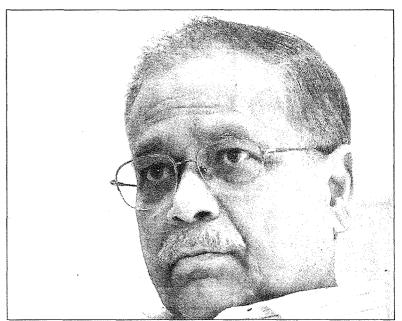
The group hopes to foster change in Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township. Graham-Hudak said the threecommunity area is the target of the diversity group because "we're joined together by one school district."

Taj lauded the group's efforts. Earlier this month, he and others helped encourage diversity by drawing a packed house to the Village Theater at Cherry Hill for an acclaimed program honoring the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, the late India leader who embraced nonviolence in his efforts to bring about social justice and equality.

Taj said the crowd was so large, not everyone could get inside the theater.

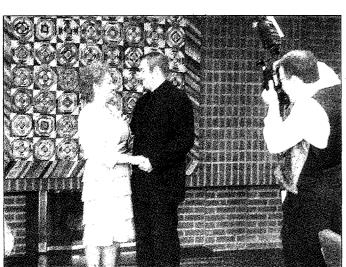
"We do this in India, so we thought we'd do it here, too," he said.

Meanwhile, for more information on the Michigan Roundable effort, log on to www.miroundtable.org and click on the Plymouth-Canton Initiative, or send an email to plycancdi@gmail.com.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton Township Trustee Syed Taj lauds efforts at inclusion made by groups such as the Plymouth-Canton Citizens for Diversity and Inclusion.





Groom Chris Green poses for pre-wedding photos with his mother, Sharon Green, while the bride, Elizabeth Caroll, and Katarina Carins get their photo taken at a separate time before the wedding.

## Couple includes library in wedding plan

Elizabeth Carroll and Chris Green like the Canton Public Library so much, they wanted to have their pre-wedding photos taken there.

So the library accommodated

The couple married Saturday, Oct. 17, and they came to the

library at separate times to get photos taken so they wouldn't see each other before the wedding ceremony.

"They love the library very much and said it would mean a lot to them if they could have some photos taken here," said Laurie Golden, the library's marketing and communications manager. "So we said 'yes."

Carroll and Green and members of their wedding party used areas such as the library fireplace for their photo shoot — making their pre-wedding library visit — well — one for the books.

#### LAZAR FROM PAGE A1

Closer to home, Haggerty was a dirt road, Ford Road had only two lanes, township hall was surrounded by farmland, and IKEA hadn't arrived in the United States, much less Canton. The township had about 20 police officers, compared to nearly 20 pow.

90 now.

Lazar was hired as a police cadet and has worked in several department units, including four years in the detective bureau. He helped investigate the gruesome death of 37-year-old Dorothy Tyburski, who was missing more than three years before her daughter pried open a locked basement freezer where Tyburski's husband, Leonard, hid the body after killing her.

"In my career that is one of the most unique cases I've ever been involved in," Lazar said.

Lazar was instrumental in reversing crime after he was assigned to the once-troubled Canton Commons neighborhood near Haggerty and Palmer, where he got to know residents and earned their trust. His work there earned him the police department's top honor of Officer of the Year in 1994.

Lazar also has won two life-saving awards and several merit and unit commendations. He served many years as a field training officer working with new officers.

"During Officer Lazar's career, he has made significant contributions to the Canton Police Department, not only as a police officer, but also within his various roles in the department," Public Safety Director John Santomauro said. "His experience, talents and attitude have made a significant contribution to the organization. He will be missed as a valuable member of the Canton Police team."

In one bizarre case, Lazar captured a 7-foot python that had escaped a burlap bag after being left behind a local shopping plaza. Somebody had to catch it.

He matter-of-factly scooped the snake back into the bag and took it to the police station until it could be turned over to a pet shop.

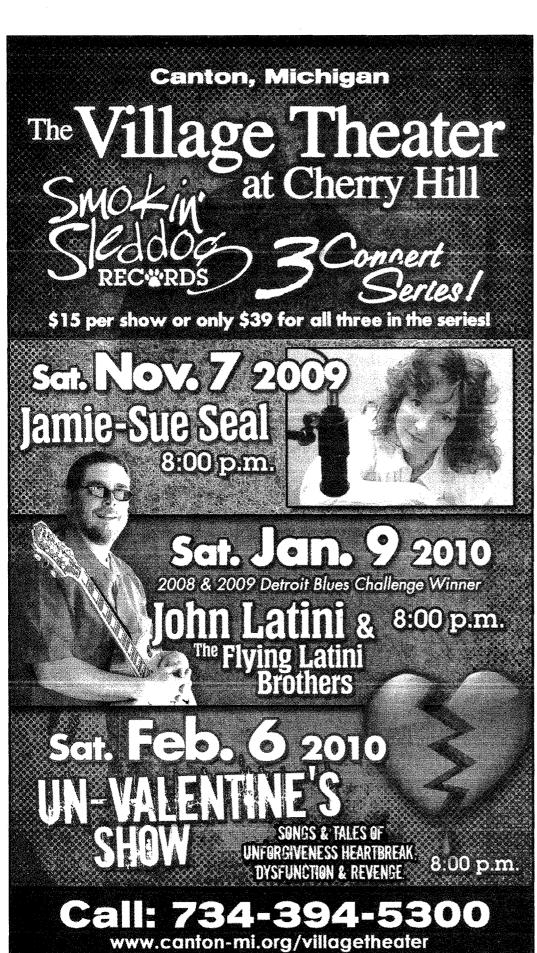
Lazar has witnessed major advancements in police work, including in-car computers now used to write electronic tickets. "With the advent of computers," he said, "the job has become easier."

After he retires, Lazar plans to spend more time on his bee-keeping business, which he started a decade ago. He sells woodenware products and teaches others how to keep bees. He also expects to cross off items on his "honey-do" list from wife, Dr. Mary Lazar, with whom he has a 21-year-old daughter, Vicki.

Lazar said he has no regrets about his career choice. He said he will most miss the camaraderie and friendship of other officers and residents.

"I'm very proud to have worked here," he said.

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## EDUCATION

Community Financial's Spellbinders - Sue Bellaire, Brynn Paskauchas and Barb Johnson - claimed the crown at the 2009 Spelling Bee fund-raiser for the Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council.

## Credit union teamwork spells Bee success

#### S-U-S-P-E-N-S-E.

For several rounds at the 2009 Spelling Bee fund-raiser for the Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council, that was the most important word as teams from Community Financial and the Plymouth District Library battled down the stretch.

In the end, it was the bankers over the librarians, with Community Financial's Spellbinders - Sue Bellaire, Brynn Paskauchas and Barb Johnson - claiming the crown, beating Mary Mackie, Vicki Sistek and Susan Stoney of the Plymouth District Library's Spellbound. The two squads topped a field of 13 teams, led through the process by emcee Chris Butzlaff.

All proceeds will be used to help adults in our community gain proficiency with reading, writing, and speaking the English language.

"It was a fun night," said Joyce Silagy of the Plymouth Canton Community Literacy Council, who co-chaired the event, conducted at Yazaki North America in Canton. "This event is significant for at least two reasons, one being that there are always more people who need tutoring than there are tutors available. All proceeds from this event will be used to train tutors, provide materials for tutoring, and to coordinate services.

"The other is that even though we are suffering the effects of a sluggish economy, we matched and surpassed last year's donations," Silagy added. "And we did it because more sponsors participated than ever before, and they did it at levels they could afford."

Gold sponsors for the event included Yazaki North America, Alphagraphics and Michigan Educational Credit

## Plymouth-Canton marchers host band spectacular

BY DIANE HANSON

Eighteen high school marching bands from southeast Michigan converged on the P-CEP home gridiron Saturday for a spectacular and talented display of choreography and color, along with masterful music and marching at the Great Lakes Invitational, an annual competition hosted by the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band and Music Boosters.

"It is a great event to see the passion of all these kids," said a delighted John Noss, GLI chairperson and vice president of the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters. Noss' son, Jacob is a junior percussionist who plays marimba in the band.

"It's a lot of work, too," conceded Noss who added that this is the single biggest fund-raiser for the 170-member band, raising some \$20,000 each year, and entertaining 6,000 to 8,000 spectators, band members and crews. "We have about 150 volunteers, including alumni, alumni parents and current members filling all the spots - concessions, cleaning up, transportation, first aid, announcing, you name it, all the positions were filled by volunteers."

The event began with 140 seventh- and eighth-grade band students from area middle schools, under the direction of P-CEP associate director Sheldon Frazier, playing the National Anthem.

Local bands placing in the top three of Flights I, II, and III, included in Flight III -South Lyon, third; and Redford Thurston, second. P-CEP principal William Zolkowski, former principal of Thurston, presented the award to them. Novi took third in Flight I, and in Flight II Walled Lake Central captured the first-place trophy and the highest score, 81.6, of



Parents of seniors in the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band prepare to release 170 yellow and black balloons - one for each student in the band - before the band begins their exhibition performance of their show, "Beneath the Surface," at the Great Lakes Invitational Saturday at the Park.

the competition which also netted them the Lundy traveling trophy, named in honor of the late John Lundy, a dedicated P-CMB supporter and booster.

Lundy's family, wife Dee and children John and Susan, both alumni of the P-CMB, presented the award along with Dr. Craig Fiegel, superintendent of Plymouth-Canton Community

Other presenters included Judy Mardigian, school board treasurer; Carrie Lawler, Canton associate principal; Barry Simescu, school board

vice president; John Jackson, school board trustee; and the district's visual and performing arts director Tim Schoenherr.

The P-CEP marchers performed their eerily entertaining show, "Beneath the Surface," in exhibition as hosts of the event at the end of the evening and to the delight of those packing the home bleachers.

"I'm very excited about this show," said Canton senior clarinetist Kristen Johnson. This is Johnson's fifth year with the renowned band since she started as an eighth-grader. "This



Percussionist Patrick Miller pulls a bow across the edge of a cymbal to create an eerie sound, adding to the overall effect of Plymouth-Canton's competition show at the Great Lakes Invitational on the home gridiron Saturday while Alyssa Downs concentrates on the drum major's direction as she plays the synthesizer.

show is kind of creepy and very fascinating in the way everything is portrayed."

Trombonist Matt Katafiasc, also a Canton senior, agreed. "I think the show this year is special," he said. "There is just this vibe about this show that I've never felt in any of the other shows I've done over the past three years."

That's a good thing according to P-CEP director of bands David Armbruster, still in the process of adding elements to the not-quite-complete show.

"We're adding some creepier sounds at the beginning and it's setting the mood," he said. "We have the ending of the show, but I'm not going to give that away. Let's just say it's going to be a very memorable show from beginning to end."

The next competition for the P-CMB is the Huron Valley Invitational at Lakeland High School, White Lake, Oct. 31.

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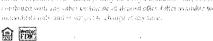
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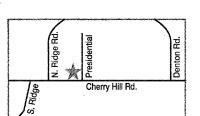
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## Local man faces future after swimming accident

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It was a beautiful August day at the Marshbanks house in

Dad Tim, who'd been laid off for a year from Ford, had finally found a new job. The family had sold its home. The weather was nice, there were friends and family gathered and the makings of a barbecue dinner were being put together.

It was a perfect August day. Until ...

While his parents were putting the touches on preparations, 22-year-old Josh Marshbanks decided he was going to take a dip in the family pool. A female friend decided to join them. Trish Marshbanks remembers what happened next like it was yesterday.

"She came running back in, screaming for us to call 911," Trish recalled. "I went out looking to see if Josh was pulling a prank."

It was no prank. In the pool, Trish Marshbanks saw Josh's friend cradling Josh's 6-foot-7 body. She looked into her son's eyes, which she says were just blank.

"My first reaction was, "This can't be happening," Trish said.

But it was. Josh had dived into the pool and hit the bottom, injuring his spinal cord and fracturing his C5 vertebrae.

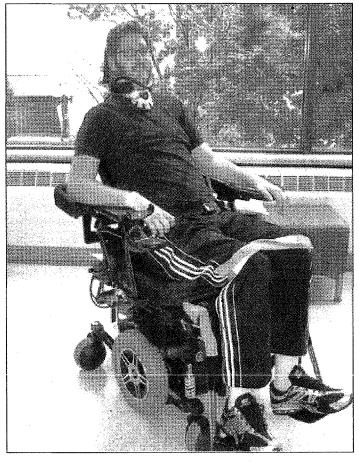
Emergency medical responders tried reviving Josh, then transported im to St. Joseph Hospital in Ypsilanti. He was placed on life support, with machines doing his breathing for him. Within 24 hours, doctors fused three vertebrae and for three weeks he fought complications such as fever and pneumonia.

And for 11 weeks, while the immediate family fought the battle, they were joined by their "other" family, friends of Josh's and co-workers at Wright Asset Management in Plymouth, where Trish works.

"That waiting room at St. Joe's ... i made one phone call and that waiting room was filled," Trish recalled. "We were stepping over kids and people and family that just needed to be there.'

Watching the Marshbanks' go through it was like watching one of their own, according to Janet Durante, who works with Trish at Wright.

"It was devastating for everyone," Durante said. "When it's one of your own .. we're like a



Josh Marshbanks was injured in August in an accident in his Canton swimming pool.



Zac, Josh, Trish and Tim Marshbanks

family here. We're all very close, so it's like our second family. For someone in that family of ours to be hurt so badly ... we just put ourselves in Trish's place and thought how we would feel."

Trish said the outpouring of support has "been phenomenal."

"I wouldn't wish what we've gone through on my worst enemy ... to go out and see your 22-year-old who was healthy five minutes ago with just a blank stare on his face," Trish said. "I always knew I was blessed with friends ... I don't think a heart can hold all that."

Since the accident, Josh has fought back. He's paralyzed from about the armpits down, with some movement in his upper body but no feeling below the waist. Still, using a motorized wheelchair, the Marshbanks brought Josh home

Now his friends are organizing a fund-raiser to help defray what are projected to be astronomical medical expenses. The fund-raiser takes place 5-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, at the Italian American Banquet Hall in Livonia. It'll feature a buffet dinner, music, live and silent auctions.

"We wanted to do something for trish and her family," Durante said. "We all love (Trish) dearly and we wanted to help. We've had wonderful response, all kinds of donations for the auction, cash donations. It started a little slowly, but it's really picked up."

Trish said the accident hasn't changed her son's outlook all that much.

"He has always had, and thankfully still has, such a great outlook on life," Trish said. "He's still Josh, and that hasn't changed. He still wants to do the things he did before. He might have to find a different way to do it, but he's ready to do that."

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## Chainsaws, chili highlight Canton's new event

BY BRAD KADRICH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

After some 300 people came by to view the first Chainsaw Art and Chili Cook-off, organizers are hoping they've carved out a successful new event.

The event, put together by Canton Leisure Services and the Canton Public Art Committee, drew big crowds to the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail, located off Morton Taylor Road at Michigan Avenue.

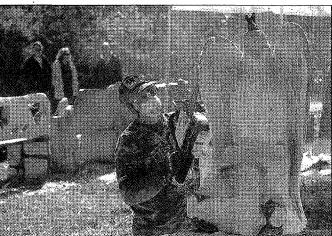
"We wanted to showcase the fall beauty of the trails and as an event to bring people together for a great time and for a great cause," said Jon LaFever, Recreation Coordinator. "Overall, it was a great success for a firsttime event, and definitely has the potential to grow in the future."

The event included four chainsaw artists (two others backed out at the last minute), who provided demonstrations and displayed some of their work; LaFever said several pieces were sold as a result.

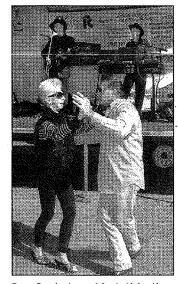
Two of the carvers - West Bloomfield's Tom Fink and Emil Szkipala of Chesterfield Township - also produced a permanent art piece along the trail.

"Many folks were astonished by how it turned it out ... it's definitely worth a visit to the trails to see," LaFever said.

The event was the brainchild of Kim Michael, a volunteer with the Canton Public Art Committee. She said she's traveled enough, and watched enough television, to have seen some other



Chainsaw artist Emil Szkipala works on an eagle. Szkipala, of Chesterfield Township, calls himself "Chainsaw Man of Michigan."



Rose Pawluzka and Carlo Valentine dance to the music of Bob Balch and Carl Zimmerman.

logging competitions. She also talked to organizers of the Paul Bunyan festival in Oscoda as part of her research.

"You just see different ways of using things," Michael said. "We're always trying to

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come up with new things to do to expose Canton to dif-

ferent ideas." The chili cook-off drew two competitors - Tim & Sally's restaurant and the Canton Fire Department. Tim & Sally's put out a spread that included chili, hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken sandwiches and beef brisket.

"We're going to make a contribution to the (firefighters') Foundation, which benefits families victimized by house fires through the Canton Firefighters #2289 Charity Foundation," LaFever said.

Michael and LaFever were excited by the way the event turned out, and said plans are already underway for next year's festival.

"We've already been talking about a couple of things," Michael said. "We definitely want to do it again."

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Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	September, 2004		18 mills	2014 (non homestead only)

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Joe Bridgman, CMC Charter Township of Plymouth

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Connie Kronen of Canton, Jennifer Doumanian of Canton, Nancy Kootz of Canton and Karen Hofbauer of Plymouth attended the Women's Giving Circle annual meeting. Doumanian says this was her last social event for a while — she's expecting a baby — her second daughter — any day.



Enjoying the hors d'oeuvres provided by personal chef Paul K. Penney of Aussie in the Kitchen are Shon Dwyer of Plymouth and Sherry Quatrochi of Northville. Dwyer and Quartrochi were guests of Cathy Koepke, a Women's Giving Circle member from Northville.



JoAnn Haddad of Canton donates money as part of the Women's Giving Circle Pass the Purse collection. A staple at Giving Circle events, Pass the Purse money is used for immediate needs that may not otherwise be met through the grant process. Since its inception in October 2006, the Women's Giving Circle has collected \$3,449 with Pass the Purse. The \$565 collected Oct. 14 will be donated to the Canton Goodfellows to be used for gifts of toys and clothes for local children.

## Ilitch inspires Giving Circle members to make a difference

**LOCAL NEWS** 

Confidence, courage and a can-do attitude.

Denise Ilitch said these are the qualities most evident in the successful people she has met and worked with over the years

Ilitch, a member of the metro area's most prominent business and sports families, told some 150 women gathered earlier this month in Canton that "everyone can make a contribution" to society.

"Whether it's time, money, creative resources or emotional support - everyone can make a difference," she said.

An attorney, Ilitch is owner and publisher of *Ambassador* Magazine, president of Ilitch Enterprises and owner of Denise Ilitch Designs.

Ilitch was the featured speaker at the third annual meeting of the Women's Giving Circle, a women's philanthropic fund affiliated with the Canton Community

Foundation.

Known for her interest and activities with non-profits, Ilitch has established three foundations - Lovelight Foundation which enhances the lives of impoverished children through education, outreach and funding, Ilitch Charities for Children and the Atanas Ilitch Osteosarcoma Foundation.

She is president of the Board of Kids Kicking Cancer



Enjoying the meet and mingle portion of the annual meeting are Canton residents (from left) Marion Rozum, Heid LaFever, Lisa Rozum, Marie Everitt, JoAnn Haddad and Maureen Hassien. Marion Rozum, Lisa Rozum and Heidi LaFever are founding members of the Women's Giving Circle.

and serves on the boards of Clockwork Home Services, the Nstar Community Bank and Starfish Family Services.

Introduced as a "tireless advocate for women and children," Ilitch said she "always tries to say yes and do something" for these causes when asked.

Ilitch told the audience that confidence is critical to success because "you must believe in yourself."

"Confidence is also contagious," added Ilitch.

She noted education is one of her keys to confidence. "The more knowledge I have the more confident I am," she said.

Her quest for knowledge led her to law school (she is a graduate of the University of Michigan and University of Detroit School of Law).

Detroit School of Law).

She encouraged audience

members to challenge themselves and adopt a can-do attitude and have the courage to "push out of your comfort zone and believe that anything is possible."

"For me it was publishing," said Ilitch, whose Ambassador Magazine is celebrating its third year.

She encouraged the women present to "follow your heart and connect with something



Denise Ilitch, business leader, magazine publisher and philanthropist, was the featured speaker at the Oct. 14 annual meeting of the Women's Giving Circle in the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. She is joined by her friend and Giving Circle member Kathy Males of Canton.

you love."

Meghan Giersdorf, 27 of Canton, who attended the Oct. 14 meeting, said Ilitch's presentation "made the event special."

"She's impressive and very motivating," said Giersdorf. "She's someone to look up to."

The Women's Giving Circle funds programs for women and families in the Canton and Plymouth communities. Grants have been awarded to First Step, Girls Scouts, Elder Law Center, YMCA Strong

Kids, Salvation Army, GEMS and other groups.

The grant cycle begins in January, nonprofits interested in applying should contact the foundation at (734) 495-1200.

The Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle was formed with three objectives: to provide grants which address the needs of local women and their families, to create an endowment to meet future needs, and to build a community of women philanthropists

## OfficeMax makes teacher's day

Wayne-Westland teacher consultant Connie Leaym of Walker-Winter Elementary School in Canton has a nice comfy chair to sit in. It's one of the \$1,000 in school supplies she received as the winner of the OfficeMax "A Day Made Better" contest.

Principal Julie Mytych wrote an essay, nominating Leaym for the honor.

"I had to write an essay on why that person should receive the honor and Connie came to mind," she said. "She works with so many students and supports so many teachers in our school."

Leaym received her award at a surprise assembly.

"To say I was surprised is an understatement," she said. "I appreciate the way it was done, it was quite a moment. I felt a little bit like a rock star."

More than 1,000 teachers across the country were recipients of "A Day Made

Better," a national cause event founded by OfficeMax and nonprofit organization, Adopt-A-Classroom. The name, "A Day Made Better," is derived from the concept that OfficeMax and Adopt-A-Classroom can make at least one day better for teachers by providing them with essential classroom upplies.

Through 1,000 simultaneous events, including the one at Walker-Winter, OfficeMax seeks to call attention to the issue of teacher out-of-pocket spending and motivate the public to take action by supporting local educators

through Adopt-A-Classroom. "A Day Made Better" was first conducted in October 2007 and has since contributed to the funding of more than 10,000 classrooms.

In addition to a new chair, Leaym a printer, digital camera and a variety of school

supplies.
"I did share," Leaym said.



Connie Leaym, a teacher at Walker-Winter Elementary School in Canton certainly had "A Day Made Better" when staff from the Office Max Store 631 in Ann Arbor surprised her at school with more than \$1,000 worth of classroom supplies. Leaym was nominated for the award by Principal Julie Mytych. Posing with Leaym (third from left) were Ken Schaal (From left), Mytych, Merritt Ligrow, Shawn Empsom, Nathan Vonbroda.

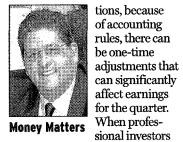
## Financials reveals a lot about company

Q: Dear Rick: I am interested in following the stock market and learning more about it. I've gone to a few of your seminars and I also have been watching the business shows on television. I am confused about earnings. It would seem to me that if a corporation reports good economic numbers that would reflect positively on the company's stock. I've noticed a few times over the last few weeks that a company will report it beat the analysts' estimates but then the stock goes down. That doesn't make any sense to me. What am I missing?

A: Sometimes things regarding the market don't make sense. I believe the stock market is irrational over short periods of time. That is why I say that good news is bad news and bad news is good news. I always remind investors that it is very difficult to time the market. However, there are some points that I believe can help you better understand the market.

First, it is important to recognize that the stock market is always looking forward. In other words, the market is more concerned with what you are going to do next quarter versus what you have done last quarter. When companies report earnings they are reporting what happened in the past. That doesn't necessarily reflect what is going to happen in the future.

Another important issue is when you hear about a corporation's earning on television, there are generally no details about



Rick Bloom

earnings they look at much more detail. Even though a corporation's there may be hints in the finan-

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earnings were good this quarter, cial statements that next quarter may not be as good. That is why it is important that when you analyze a financial statement, you don't look just at the bottom line numbers, but you look at all the details, including the various notes accompanying the financial statements.

I've always felt that to be successful, investors need to take a long-term approach. One mistake many investors make — and this includes professional investors as well — is they are short-sighted.

As far as I am concerned, quarterly earnings are important, but they should not affect your investment decisions. Remember, there is a difference between a trader and an investor. An investor looks long term, a trader looks day-today.

Good luck!

Q: Dear Rick: Explain the

attorney. Which do you recommend?

A: The documents are used in estate planning and both deal with medical issues.

A living will states if you do not have a quality of life, you don't want to be around. In other words, if there is no quality of life you do not want any extraordinary measures used to keep you

A medical durable power of attorney goes one step further and says without a quality of life, you don't want to be around and allows you to name an individual who will determine whether you have a quality of life.

A medical durable power of attorney is a much better document than a living will. The problem with the living will is it leaves quality of life open to interpretation.

A medical durable power of

attorney takes care of this because it allows you to appoint an individual who can make that decision. Of course, that person doesn't have to be a doctor or a lawyer, and as far as I am concerned, it shouldn't be. The person should be an individual such as a spouse or other loved one who will make

the decision you would have made based upon the facts at the time.

In the past, when there were issues with end-of-life decisions the only thing that you could consider was a living will. However, for the last 20 years new laws have been developed that give individuals more power over these decisions.

I strongly recommend a medical durable power of attorney rather than a living will. In fact, I'll go one step further and recommend that all adults in Michigan, whether they are 18 or 88, have a medical durable power of attorney. You do not want to leave important medical decisions to outsiders. You want to keep that decision within the family.

You can execute your own medical durable power of attorney without having to incur legal fees. A link is available on my web site where you can download a free medical durable power of attorney form. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser.

Observer & Eccentric readers can submit

questions at moneymatters@hometownin the Village. Destination Theatre offilife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement. cials say their fall production

## 'Rent' comes to Village Theater

Destination Theatre, in cooperation with Canton Township, presents the Broadway hit, Rent, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill Oct. 29-Nov. 1 and Nov.

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of Rent "will leave you wanting more of Mark, Roger, Mimi, Joanne, Maureen, Collins and Angel and singing the memorable songs that break your heart and give you hope at the same time.

Performances are 8 p.m. Oct. 29-31; 3 p.m. Nov. 1; and 8 p.m. Nov. 5-7.

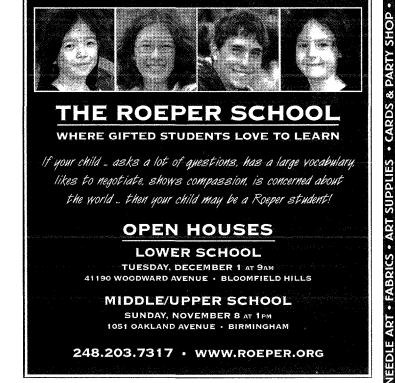
The Sunday, Nov. 1 performance will benefit the HIV/AIDS Resource Center in Ypsilanti. HARC provides services to people who are at risk of living with HIV/ AIDS. Five dollars off every ticket sold will be donated to the center.

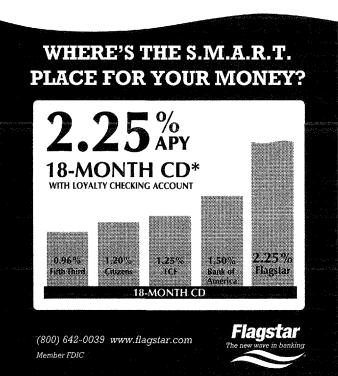
Tickets (\$15 general admission) are on sale now and may be purchased at DestinationTheater.org. Tickets are also available at Canton's Summit on the Park box office, 46000 Summit Parkway, (734) 394-5460.



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## W-W schools halt projects to await committee report

Observer & Eccentric | Sunday, October 25, 2009

BY SUE MASON OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Wayne-Westland Community Schools has put several sinking fund projects on hold while it waits to see what the recommendation on school closings will be from its 21st Century Schools Committee.

Superintendent Greg Baracy made the announcement Monday, saying that it affects projects that have yet to be started, including media centers for elementary schools like Madison in Westland where work was scheduled to start after the first of the year.

"The only way to sustain educational excellence is to be as efficient as we can be and utilize the resources we have available," Baracy said. "We can no longer afford to operate buildings at 50 percent. We have to restructure ourselves."

The committee has the task of coming up with a plan that accommodates a loss of enrollment and a continuing decline in revenue. The committee, which has been working on a plan since July, last week heard reports from subcommittees which have been investigating different way to deliver an educational pro-

The tentative proposal is to close seven elementary schools and create 10 kindergartenfourth-grade schools, two fifthsixth-grade schools, two middle schools and two high schools. Instead of having schools in which student population divide up between middle schools and high schools, youngsters would stay with their classmates from kindergarten through 12thgrade under the proposal.

The subcommittees are now looking at the configuration and how the district can be split up to accommodate. No determination has been made on which schools would be recommended for closing.

'They're doing a lot, they want to preserve the district's educational excellence," he said. "I believe we can become a better school district, I believe we can be more efficient."

Baracy thanked the committee, made up of parents, residents of the community, employees and administrators, for their work. Members have devoted a lot of time to do research and it's apparent they want to preserve Wayne-Westland's educational excellence, he said.

"They have a lot of work to do, they recognize that this is about the kids and about educational excellence," he added.

The goal is to resent a completed plan to the school board in December for its consideration. Implementation would be at the start of the 2010-2011 school year.

More information about the 21st Century Schools Committee, including video presentations, minutes and agendas, can be found on the district's Web site at www. wwcsd.net.

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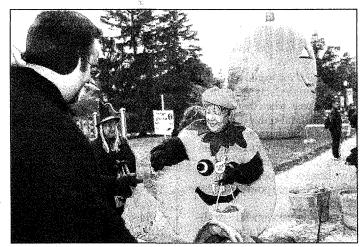
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Carole Kayden, a volunteer from Royal Oak, gives out candy at one of the many treat stations to Christopher Deyonke from Canton.

## Nothing scary about B00-tiful event at zoo

There were plenty of treats, but no tricks, for youngsters and their parents who ventured out to this year's Zoo Boo, at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak.

Zoo officials said they were pleased with the initial turnout, which amounted to 9,517 from Oct. 16-18.

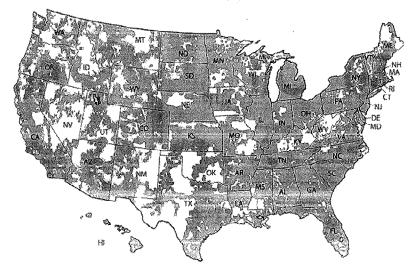
The event included candy, of course, disbursed by volunteers dressed up for the event. But the trail through the zoo also included dioramas and inflated

characters to delight young and older alike.

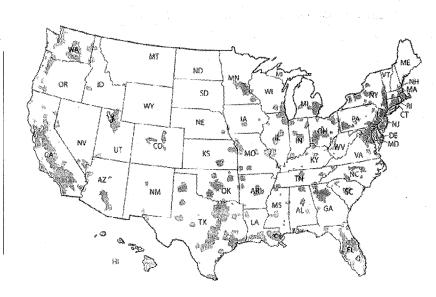
The Zoo Boo continues from 6-8 p.m. on Oct. 25, and Oct. 29-31. The event will be held, rain or shine, according to zoo



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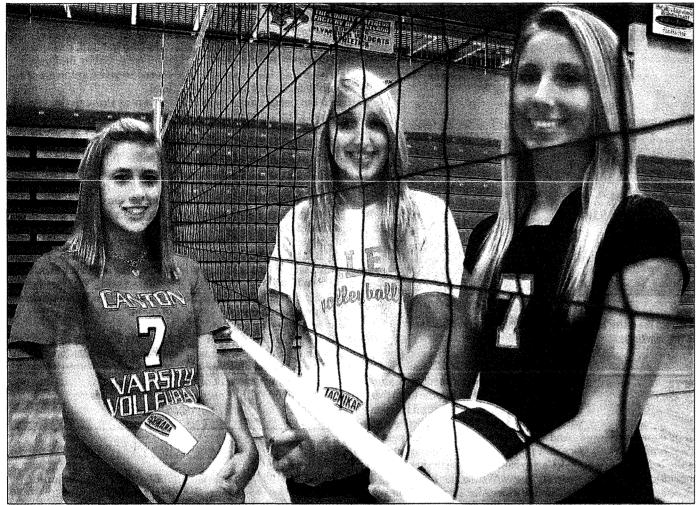
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Salem soccer nips Northville to advance to finals - B2

## SPIKEYTOWN



The smiles on the faces of (from left) Canton's Jordan Kielty, Salem's Nicole Merget and Plymouth's Kelly Smoltz belie how competitive they are against each other when it's game time.

### PCEP's place for impact volleyball players to mix it up, mingle

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

During the day, they might slap hands in friendship.

But when the bright lights shine down on the volleyball court at night, friend-

ships go out the window. Then it's hammer time for three front-row dynamos who compete for the three varsity teams at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Want to scale the heights and thump the ball over the net or easily block an opponent's salvo? There's 6-foot, 2-inch Plymouth senior middle hitter Kelly

Smoltz and 6-3 Salem junior middle hitter Nicole Merget.

And don't forget Canton senior outside hitter Jordan Kielty, who is smaller (5-10) but might have the biggest amount of fire in the belly.

"I don't get as many opportunities to block as many balls," said Kielty, during a joint interview recently in the Plymouth gym. "But if I get set the ball, I try as hard as I can to get the kill because I know that pumps up my team."

#### WINNING FEELING

Kielty — who, like Smoltz and Merget. is a co-captain for her team — recalled

a recent KLAA South showdown at Livonia Churchill. One game was down to the clinching point.

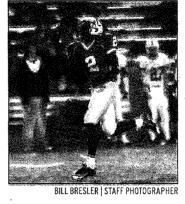
"It was 25-24 and I had the ball set to me and I remember I was so angry, I wanted to win," she said. "So I swung as hard as I could and we got the point.

"It helped us into the next game, the adrenaline rush of winning on that point."

Her PCEP rivals also relish the goosebump feeling that comes with scintillating competition.

For Merget, a power play at the net is

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**Canton junior Davion Stackhouse** catches a pass late in the first half and runs it in for a TD. After a good kick, the score was 42-0.

## **Canton** pounds Rocks

BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

On a wet Friday night, Canton rained points down on defenseless Salem to roll to a 62-11 KLAA crossover football

The win, in the annual game for the Sandman-Cummings Trophy, moved the Chiefs to 8-1 while Kurt Britnell's first year as Salem head coach ended at

"It's nice to win it (the trophy)," said Canton head coach Tim Baechler. "Salem dominated the series a long time ago. That was a little goal to get them fired up to play this

He said both teams now have won the trophy 14 times.

Doing most of the damage for the Chiefs was 5-9 senior running back, Adam Payter. He provided a sample of what he was going to bring all night at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park when he ran

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### **GAME** WRAPS

#### Canton spikers sweep

After a slow start Thursday, Canton's varsity volleyball team came away with a 3-0 victory over visiting Wayne Memorial. The Chiefs took the games by scores of 25-10, 25-17, 25-20.

Head coach Mary Kryska said because two starters did not play due to injury or illness, bench players needed to step up and they did. Freshman Érica den Boer collected six kills and seven digs in a fine all-around performance.

Other standouts included Jordan Kielty (8 kills, 14 digs), Lauren Macuga (10 digs) and Jackie Waite (11 assists and solid defense).

"Everyone on the team contributed to this win and I was happy to see everyone getting varsity experience," Kryska said.

#### Senior sendoff for Salem

It was "Senior Night" Thursday for Salem's varsity volleyball team and the Rocks celebrated with a 3-0 win over South Lyon (25-19, 26-24, 25-18).

Seniors Lauren Dworzanin (6 kills, 5 aces, 5 digs) and Elyse Engerer (3 kills, 2 aces, 4 digs) contributed to a winning night in their home swan song. "I am very proud of my two seniors," said Salem head coach Amanda Suder. "They have worked hard all year and it was a nice way to win in three last night to end their last home game."

Suder said junior Nicole Merget had a "phenomenal" match with 12 kills and only one error in 24 hitting attempts. Other solid efforts were turned in by Kerry MacDonald (20 assists, 3 aces), Kristina Klusek

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## Salem girls capture 1st conference crown

**OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

The girls cross country banner draped on the wall inside the Salem gymnasium has been blank for quite some time.

The Rocks brought home their firstever conference or league title under coach Dave Gerlach by capturing the KLAA Kensington crown held Thursday afternoon at Kensington Metropark's Possum Hollow course.

The Rocks, who took fifth in the same meet a year ago, placed five runners in the top 16 while staving off a strong effort by Northville (63) and defending champion Livonia Churchill (66). Novi was fourth in the 12-school field with 87.

"To my knowledge, this is our first conference or league title," said Dave Gerlach, now in his 15th year as Salem's coach. "I'm so proud of them. They've been a coach's dream and have done everything I've asked. And because they've been so coachable, they've been able to reap the benefits."

Junior Victoria Tripp, who covered the challenging 5-kilometer course in 19



minutes, 29 seconds, placed fifth to lead the Rocks.

Also scoring for Salem was senior Jordyn Moore, 10th (19:50); freshman Shannon Flynn, 11th (19:51); sophomore Kelly Kerwin, 13th (19:54); and junior Kara Booms, 16th (20:07).

"All year our motto has been: 'Pack and Pace," Gerlach said. "As far as today, they ran the race strategy to a 'T.' We wanted to run controlled, yet aggressive the first mile. We wanted to run our race, and then go after it at the two-mile (mark).

"I thought Kelly Kerwin really stepped up today. She's had some decent races. We knew we had to have our fourth and fifth runners step up to win a meet like this."

Northville placed three in the top 10 led by Gina McNamara (fourth), Erin Dunne (seventh) and Katie VanderVoort (ninth).

Alex Rodriguez and Alexander Draybuck finished 18th and 25th, respectively, for the Mustangs.

McNamara is sophomore, while the other four are freshmen.

"Personally we ran better than I thought," Northville coach Nancy Smith said. "We wanted to finish third or better. We lost when we raced Salem and Novi before, but we've improved a ton since then. And we've never before beaten Churchill.

'The girls ran amazing and I feel we have a solid five now."

Churchill got a repeat first-place finish from senior Sara Kroll, who broke the 18-minute barrier with a time of 17:54. But the Chargers did not place any others in the top 10.

"We knew we had a shot the way the girls have been running," Salem coach Dave Gerlach said. "We figured it would be a four-team race. Churchill was ranked ninth (in Division 1) and we were 12th. And after seeing the results (this year), we knew it was feasible."

Kroll won going away for her second straight individual title.

"It actually went by pretty fast," said

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Who: Jordyn Moore, Salem senior, girls cross country captain.

Miscellany: Moore, 17, carries a 3.97 grade-point average. Her parents are Joe and Mary Ann. Career honors include Observerland honorable mention in 2007 and All-Observerland 1st team in 2008. Captain's job: "The job of a captain is about being a leader' and role model. "It is about being positive and hopeful in times of doubt. A lot of times it includes putting the team before yourself."

Leadership style: "Before making any big decisions, I like to talk to the assistant captains (Rachel Morrison, Emily Willer) or sometimes talk to the whole





team. I want to make sure I am doing what is best for the team."

Why her?: "I think I was chosen as captain because I showed that I was capable of being a leader during my past years on the team by being positive, encouraging and acting as a role model."



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## To the finals

### Salem nips Northville in semifinal battle

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

After battling and scraping for 79 minutes Wednesday night, Salem nursed a 1-0 lead over Northville in a state district semifinal boys soccer game.

A goal by Salem midfielder Evan Antich at 12:35 of the second half still held up when the host Mustangs had the chance to at least send the contest into a 15-minute overtime.

Fatai Alashe was awarded a direct kick, and the talented midfielder scorched a shot that was ticketed for the top shelf behind Rocks' senior goalkeeper Sasa "Sasha" Miskovic.

But Miskovic jumped, extended his arms and batted the ball over the goal to preserve the 1-0 victory. He also sprawled to block a dangerous shot by Matt Lypka with about nine minutes remaining.

"I had to do it," said Miskovic about making the game-saving stop. "They're playing for me, I've got to play for them." Salem head coach Ed McCarthy praised the goalkeeper for his flawless second

half.

"Sasha was outstanding with the game on the line when we needed him and that was very important," McCarthy said. "It's halpful having gameons that confident

was very important," McCarthy said. "It's helpful having someone that confident, ... he was very clean and organized in the back. He was perfect in the second half."

The reward for 14-4-4 Salem: Saturday's district championship matchup with the top team in the state — Livonia Churchill. That game took place after this issue of the Observer went to press.

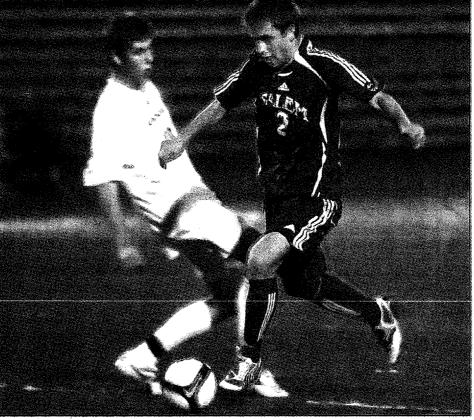
#### **SALEM CAPITALIZES**

For Northville (11-7-4), two yellow cards during the second half contributed to the winning goal, said Mustangs' head coach Henry Klimes.

Klimes thought officials did not need to penalize Alashe and defender Nick Peper, forcing them to leave the game for 10 min-

"You can't take two of the top players on any team and sit them for 10 minutes in the second half of a state playoff game," said Klimes in a calm voice after huddling with his players for the final time. "You got to let them play. ... For that 10 minutes we lost the momentum we were carrying."

McCarthy concurred to a certain extent. "Two yellow cards hurt them, those were key players and that impacted play a little bit," McCarthy stressed. "But our momentum was already going at that point. I cer-



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Salem's Evan Antich (No. 2), shown from the district opener against Plymouth, scored the Rocks' winning goal against Northville in the semifinals.

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tainly felt like a goal would be coming."
It did soon enough because, while the

It did soon enough because, while the Northville players were on the bench, Salem's Antich booted a short kick past Northville goalkeeper Nick Shaya.

Midfielder Lachlan Savage took a shot toward the goal and forward Dan Martin flicked it with his head toward Antich, who made no mistake.

#### **BIG TEST AHEAD**

Earlier in the second half, the Rocks watched shots by midfielder Scott O'Connor and Lachlan Savage bounce off the crossbar.

Although the Mustangs did better territorially following the Antich tally, Salem's five-in-the-back defense kept dangerous attempts to a minimum.

Meanwhile, both coaches said it was a well-played, very competitive match.

The victory gave the Rocks some measure of revenge against Northville, the team that finished first in the KLAA Central Division with a 6-0-0 record (Salem finished second).

And as a result, Salem earned the right to face state powerhouse Churchill on Saturday. McCarthy said the excellent speed and

McCarthy said the excellent speed and creativity he saw Wednesday by players such as midfielder Alex Tramel, O'Connor and forward Sal Savage needed to show up against the Chargers.

"Our attack was very good once we got rolling and that was good to see," he noted. "We're going to need that attack on Saturday.

"Churchill's only given up six goals all year and they're No. 1 in the state so that's a very, very difficult task on Saturday."

Results from the Salem-Churchill final will be posted at www.hometownlife.com as soon as they are available.

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# Chiefs near regional berth

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

No matter how well Canton's varsity boys soccer team played in Wednesday's 3-0 victory over Detroit Western International, it's just one step in a postseason march.

The Chiefs (12-7-3) took care of their opponent in the District 4 semifinal at Dearborn Edsel Ford with superb defense and scoring touch. But head coach George Tomasso knows that the solid team performance couldn't be bottled up for Saturday's district final against the host Thunderbirds (9-9), a game that took place after this issue of the Observer went to press.

"Every game helps us learn new things about our team and how to improve," Tomasso said. "But because it's the playoffs, we have to take every game as a brand new situation."

Canton played consistently in all phases against the Cowboys, led by excellent play in the back by senior cocaptain Jon Dugan and sophomore Connor Furgason. Senior goalkeeper Kai Walther need-

ed to make just three stops for the shutout.

"We had a good, strong defensive game," Tomasso continued. "We limited their opportunities."

And at the other end of the pitch, when the Chiefs had scoring chances, they converted.

In the first half, freshman midfielder Bobby Budlong scored to give Canton a 1-0 lead

Midway through the second half, that edge was doubled when Furgason's header of a corner kick by sophomore defender Tyler Winningham found the mark.

For good measure, sophomore forward Mitch Posuniak chipped in a rebound for the night's final goal.

"I thought we worked hard and did a great job to create scoring opportunities," Tomasso said. "We were fortunate enough to finish on three of them."

For results of Saturday's district final, please go to www.hometownlife.com or come back to Thursday's Observer.

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Kroll, who bettered her first-place time of 18:43 from a year ago. "I tried to go out a little more conservative because I knew this was the hilliest course that we run on. I thought my plan went relatively well. I'm happy with my time. It's almost a 40 second (personal record) for this course.

"I like the cooler weather better. This is definitely where I want to be. I'm thrilled with the way I've been running so far this year." Livonia Franklin junior Megan McPherson (18:47) earned runner-up honors, while Novi's Jackie Mullins (19:09) placed third. "Megan ran an outstand-

ing race, very smart on a tough course," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "She is setting herself up well for the regional and state meets."

Others in the top 10 included Canton's Bianca Kubicki (sixth) and Novi's Brooke McMahan (eighth).

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#### PREP CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

FR. GABRIEL RICHARD CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL RESULTS

Oct. 17 at Hudson Mills Metropark
BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Pinckney, 25 points; 2
Plymouth, 61; 3. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 89; 4. Canton, 96;
5. Clarkston, 110; 6. University of Detroit-Jesuit, 167;
7. Saline, 171; 8. Belleville, 198; 9. Walled Lake Western
214; 10. Detroit Catholic Central, 306; 11. Wayne
Memorial, 333.

Individual winner: Tanner Pesonen (Pinckney), 16:12.1.

Top 20: 1. Pesonen; 2. Joe Porcari (Plymouth), 16:23.7; 3. Michael Lahner (Pinckney), 16:28.7; 4. Kousel Yajima (WLW), 16:31.2; 5. Joe Frakes (Pioneer), 16:35.8; 6. Cal Magier (Pinckney), 16:38.7; 7. Zac Meston (Pinckney), 16:39.2; 8. Marcus Rogers (Pinckney), 16:39.6; 9. Matt Neumann (Plymouth), 16:47.6; 10. Warren Buzzard (Plymouth), 16:52.2; 11.

Sebastian Ag (Pioneer), 16:55.1; 12. Derek Gielarowski (Plymouth), 16:57.0; 13. Keith Zech (Canton), 16:57.2; 14. Miles Felton (Canton), 17:02.2; 15. Stephen Fabian (UD-Jesuit), 17:02.4; 16. Christian Bonzheim (Clarkston), 17:09.1; 17. Adam Bruderick (Clarkston), 17:11.7; 18. Zach Spreitzer (Canton), 17:14.2; 19. Carter Sherman (Belleyille), 17:14.8; 20. Mitch Clinton (Canton), 17:16.0.

Other Plymouth finishers: 28. Jimmy Maciag, 17:30.8; 35. Stephen Blaze, 17:46.9; 38. Garrett Neumann, 17:55.5.

Other Canton finishers: 31. Josh Osinski, 17:35.8; 42. Andrew Grazioli, 18:05.1

#### **KLAA BOYS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS**

KLAA KENSINGTON CONFERENCE CROSS COUNTRY MEET RESULTS Oct. 22 at Kensington Metropark

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi, 34 points; 2. Plymouth, 63; 3. Canton, 66; 4. Northville, 67; 5. South Lyon, 139; 6. Livonia Churchill, 193; 7. Livonia Stevenson, 208; 8. Salem, 223; 9. South Lyon East, 236; 10. Livonia Franklin, 262; 11. Westalnd John Glenn, 360; 12. Wayne Memorial,

Individual winner: Mike Blaszcyk (Novi), 16 minutes, 07 seconds (5,000 meters).

TEAM-BY-TEAM FINISHERS
Novi (34): 1. Mike Blaszczyk, 16:07; 5. Joe
Schubring, 16:38; 6. Dan Egner, 16:39; 9. Brett
Giampa, 16:44; 13. Geoff Giese, 16:50; 17. Alex
Minghine, 17:04; 29. Chase Conrad, 17:28.

Plymouth (63): 3. Joe Porcari, 16:30; 4. Matt Neumann, 16:36; 11. Warren Buzzard, 16:46; 14. Derek Gielarowski, 16:53; 312. Jimmy Maciag, 17:30; 40. Garrett Neumann, 17:51; 55. Stephen

Balaze, 18;20.

Canton (66): 7. Zach Spreitzer, 16:40; 8. Miles
Felton, 16:43; 12. Paul Rakovitis, 16:46; 19. Keith
Zech, 17:14; 20. Mitch Clinton, 17:15; 30. Bradon
Copley 17:29: 38. Josh Osipski 17:47

Zech, 17:14; 20. Mitch Clinton, 17:15; 30. Bradon Conley, 17:29; 38. Josh Osinski, 17:47. Northville (67): 2. Frank Griffiths, 16:10; 10. Matt Sierra, 16:44; 15. Trent Johnson, 16:55; 18. Chad Cini, 17:11; 22. Geoff Giese, 17:17; 24.

Christian Guenther, 17:23; 35. Kevin Lerner, 17:42. **South Lyon (139)**: 16. Blake Yard, 16:58; 21. Jacob Uratchko, 17:16; 28. Andy Stone, 17:28; 32. Robbie Kulie, 17:37; 423. Jordan Schaefer, 17:53; 44. Chase Brisbois, 18:00; 45. Taylor Cutaiar.

Churchill (193): 25. Quinn Osgood, 17:24; 37. Ryan Wise, 17:44; 38. Tom Windle, 17:50; 43. Cody Rossler, 17:54; 49. Stephen Charnley, 18:06; 58. Sam Yurgil, 18:26; 64. Mark Freyberg, 18:42.

**Stevenson (208)**: 23. Joe Urso, 17:17; 36. Matt Williams, 17:43; 46. John Lynch, 18:01; 47. Andrew Longhi, 18:03; 56. Ryan Petrul, 18:21; 60. Adam Chludzinski, 18:34; 67. Colin Andridge, 18:48.

Salem (223): 26. Michael Charara, 17:26; 33. Steve McEvilly, 17:40; 50. Robert Cowing, 18:07; 52. Jimmy Daniels, 18:14; 62. Tom Patterson, 18:40; 65. Matt Krapansky, 18:45; 68. Andy Rabe,

Franklin (262): 34. Bobby Wilson, 17:41; 41. Nik Gherardini, 17:53; 54. Joe Steckel, 18;20; 63. Mike Witt, 18:41; 70. Bryan Schultz, 19:04; 71. Zach Belanger, 19:16; 73. John Ferreira, 20:07.

John Glenn (360): 61. Jason Suarez, 18:37; 69. Ruben Maya, 18;59; 75. Mike Dalton, 20:39; 77. Kevin Wacker, 21:40; 78. Ryan Boes, 21:46; 79. Chris Jones, 22:32; 80. Steve Shak, 22:41.

**Wayne (385)**: 72. Tyler Gendron, 19:20; 74. Darren Hombirg, 20:09; 76. Brandon Tykoski, 21:30; 81. Kyle McKague, 22:52; 82. Dionte Burton, 32:00.

#### KLAA GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

KLAA KENSINGTON CONFERENCE CROSS COUNTRY MEET RESULTS

Oct. 22 at Kensington Metropark

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Salem, 55 points; 2. Northville, 63; 3. Livonia Churchill, 66; 4. Novi, 87; 5. Plymouth, 137; 6.

Livonia Franklin, 145; 7. Canton, 159; 8. South Lyon, 223; 9. Livonia Stevenson, 226; 10. South Lyon East, 297; 11. Westland Joh Glenn, 297; 12. Wayne Memorial, no team score.

enn, 297; IZ. Wayne Memoriai, no team score. Individual winner: Sara Kroll (Churchill), 17:54 (5,000 meters).

**TEAM-BY-TEAM FINISHERS Salem (55)**: 5. Victoria Tripp, 19:19; 10. Jordyn Moore, 19:51; 11. Shannon Flynn, 19:52; 13. Kelly Kerwin, 19:54; 16. Kara Booms, 19:0:08: 35. Autumn Burin. 21:02: 44. Ade Jepperson. 21:16.

20:08; 35. Autumn Burin, 21:02; 44. Ade Jepperson, 21:16.

Northville (63): 4. Gina McNamara, 19:19; 7. Erin Dunne, 19:44; 9. Katie VanderVoort, 19:48; 18. Alex Rodriguez, 20:14; 25.

Alexander Draybuck, 20;38; 33. Emily Sklar, 20:54; 36. Lisa Hamel, 21:03.

Churchill (66): 1. Sara Kroll, 17:54; 12. Kerigan Riley, 19;54; 15. Sydney Anderson, 19:58; 17. Bethany Pilat, 20:11; 21. Amanda Southwell, 20:32; 22. Katie Rash, 20:33; 43. Alexis Hickson, 21;12.

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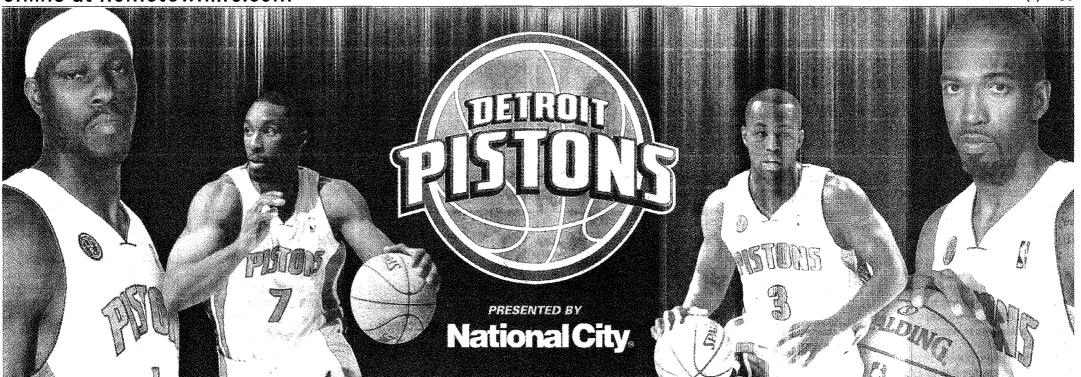
The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Technology LAN Cabling for Salem High School. Bid documents will be available electronically on or after October 16, 2009 from the District's technology consultant: Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. located at 28001 Cabot Drive, Suite 110, Novi, MI 48377 by calling (248) 848-0123 x110 or via email request to eprzywara@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 PM. 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. local time 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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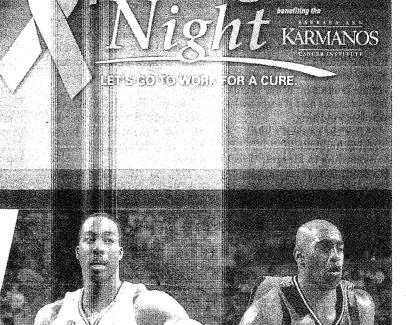


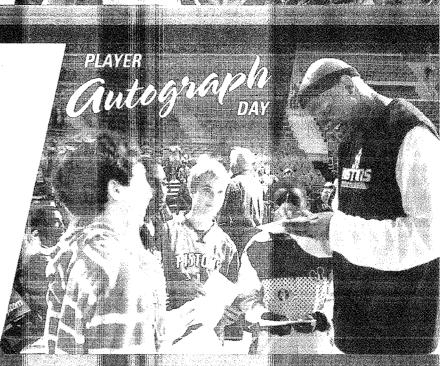
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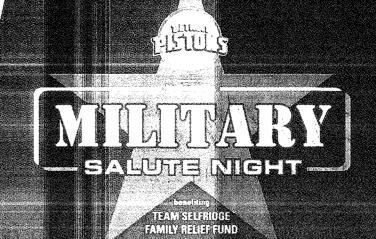


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watch from the stands. "Everybody gets so excited if you have an awesome kill or a sweet block," Merget said. "So that really helps pump everyone up, it gets the game going

exciting to be part of, let alone

at a faster pace." Smoltz agreed that kills and blocks energize the Wildcats.

"When I'm supposed to go get a kill, get the point, I know that pumps up my team," Smoltz said. "I just want to get that point and then we start playing better, we're more focused.'

What the three players bring to the floor on game day is only part of the picture.

#### **BRAGGING RIGHTS**

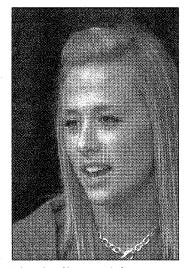
There's a strong element of one-upmanship, too, between

That is a common thread for most PCEP athletes. On Tuesday, Kielty and Smoltz squared off against each other during an intense, five-game

"There's always that trash talk between all the schools, it's like that in every sport," Kielty emphasized. "I have a couple friends on other teams in my classes and it's not awkward or anything.

"After the game it's like nothing happened."

According to Merget, "I feel it's really fun when you play the other two schools, because it's like your friends but you



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JORDAN KIELTY, Canton

want to beat them at the same

"Everyone's friends, so when you play them, yeah, of course you want to win," Smoltz said. "But you can't let yourself get psyched out about it, too.

"You almost have to just like picture them as just another team until you're done playing."

Meanwhile, Kielty, Merget and Smoltz have more in common than being able to hammer away for their respective

They are part of the sprawling "Park" with it's one-of-akind, three-school campus.



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KELLY SMOLTZ, Plymouth

"I think it adds to it, the high school experience," Kielty said. "At football games, when we're playing Plymouth or Salem, everyone gets so into it and makes the rivalry so big.

"It makes it so much fun, it makes the high school experience ten times better when there's big rivalries like that."

Concurring was Merget. "It's kind of like we're one giant school. but through sporting events you separate and compete against each other. It's kind of different.'

"It's not the same as if you were just one school." Smoltz added. "A different school



Everybody gets so excited if you have an awesome kill or a sweet block."

NICOLE MERGET, Salem

might be known for just one sport. But all three schools have different things."

#### **COLLEGE PREP**

Successfully navigating PCEP is an experience they hope to draw on when they go to college, perhaps continuing their volleyball careers.

"Here you get split up from all your friends, surrounded by all these people you don't know," said Merget, adding that classes often contain a pool of students from all three high schools. "That's going to prepare you for going into college.'

Kielty and Smoltz each nodded their heads.

#### **HEAVY HITTERS**

• Jordan Kielty: The 17-year-old Canton senior co-captain is a 5-10 outside hitter. She carries a 3.6 grade-point average and is in her fourth season with the varsity team.

• Nicole Merget: In her third year with the Salem varsity, 16year-old Merget – who stands 6-3 - owns a 3.7 GPA. She is cocaptain.

• Kelly Smoltz: She is a Plymouth senior middle hitter and co-captain now in her third varsity season. The 17-year-old has a 3.6 GPA.

"It will help us because we're used to that big group of peo-ple," Kielty explained. "We're meeting new people every day, we're used to having big rivalries, which is like the college experience."

Smoltz said having classes in different schools "gets you ready for going place-to-place, having to walk."

Of course, it isn't likely that future college life will match "the Park" for sheer uniqueness

After all, there's three high schools on one campus filled with student-athletes who mingle during the day and mash it at night.

For this talented trio, that's not so bad.

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## GAME WRAPS FROM PAGE B1

(5 digs) and Alli Morrison (6

Salem finished the conference schedule with a record of 7-2 for second place in the KLAA Central. The team took a 30-4 overall record into

Saturday's conference tourney.

#### Wildcats tough

Even though Plymouth dropped a four-game volleyball match to KLAA South leader Livonia Churchill on Thursday, Wildcats' head coach Kelly McCausland couldn't have been prouder.

"I am so proud of our level of play today," McCausland said. "After an upsetting loss to Canton we worked on our mental toughness at practice. Our main focus going into tonight's match was to continue battling through every point."

McCausland said the team worked on blocking Churchill's strong outside hitters "and they executed" beautifully with Kelly Smoltz (7 blocks, 8 block deflections) and Alex Roberts (7 blocks, 17 block deflections, 6 kills) leading the way.

Erin O'Connor "had a great game" with 17 digs and 100percent serving while Lindsey Stemberger (24 passes), Dani Risi (27 assists, 11 digs) and Katie Salo (27 assists, 11 digs) also playing well.

Plymouth fell to 22-10-1 overall and 5-5 in the KLAA

Seniors Sarah Suppelsa and Cierra Yetts collected 20 and 17 kills, respectively, leading KLAA South Division champion Livonia Churchill past stubborn Plymouth in four games, 25-17, 25-19, 24-26, 25-13.

"All four were good, competitive games," said Churchill coach Mark Grenier, whose state-ranked team is 41-4 overall and 10-0 in the KLAA Central. "Plymouth put up a big right side and it gave us some fits. We had to adjust around

Other contributions for the Chargers came from Darcy DeRoo (six kills), Taylor Kerr (41 digs), Nicole Kempinski (29 digs), Cory Urbats (30 assists, 13 digs) and Erin Menard (four kills, five blocks).

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#### PCA 3rd in MIAC

Plymouth Christian Thursday night in a roundrobin tournament, hanging in against Class A schools, said Eagles' head coach Kelly Blackney.

PCA defeated Ferndale, Lutheran North and Brandon, but lost to Clarkston to move to 21-8-2 on the season.

"We played very well against Class A schools, something that we have been working on with our young team," Blackney said. "We always play intimidated against bigger schools, but last night we changed that."

The Eagles finished conference play in the Michigan **Independent Athletic** Conference Blue Division and placed third, with a weekend tournament at University of Michigan-Dearborn and Tuesday's 7 p.m. home match against Macomb Christian still to play.

it in from 22 yards just four minutes into the game, to open up the scoring.

But Payter was far from done. After a three-and-out by the Rocks' offense, he burst down the right sideline for a 77-yard romp and it was 14-0.

"Our offensive line was awesome, that's about all I can say," said Payter, who scored four TDs and rushed for 232 yards (on just eight carries) all before halftime. "It was wide open and they did a great job."

After Payter's second touchdown, the Rocks made a serious bid to cut the lead in half.

Sophomore running back Marcus Houston picked up some good yardage and senior connected on a 35-yard pass to Alex King — who won a jump ball at Canton's 18-yard line. King later caught a 58-yarder and finished with 107 yards in four catches.

#### **BIG PLAY**

The drive continued inside the 10, when on the second play of the second quarter Peterson's pass over the middle was picked off at the goal line by Canton junior linebacker Garrett Bryden.

Then it was off to the races as Bryden raced the entire length of the gridiron - 100 yards exactly — to put a pin into Salem's balloon.

"That was key," said Chiefs' head coach Tim Baechler about the Bryden interception and TD return. "They were moving the ball and they had a nice drive going

"That kind of broke all their momentum and I think it kind of broke their spirit a little bit.'

The Chiefs were far from done, building a 42-0 lead at the half and invoking a running clock in the second half.

A 33-yard strike from Canton senior quarterback Kevin Delapaz to junior tight end Angelo Lanava and Salem penalties contributed to the third TD in three drives and a 28-0 edge. Scoring on a five-yard run was Payter.

Another interception by the Chiefs, this time by senior defensive back Arron Boudreaux at Canton's 4-yard opportunity to bust a play.

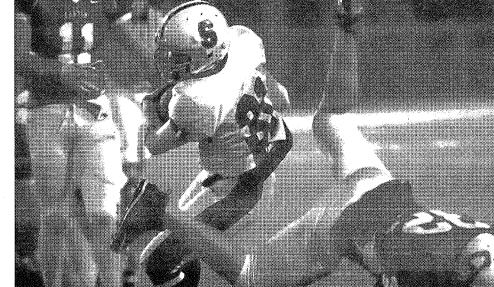
He did, with an up-the-gut 96-yard touchdown run on first down, opening up a 35-0

"We looked pretty good in the first quarter, moving the ball and doing some things," Britnell said. "We just had some breakdowns in blocking assignments with their zone blitz. "We've got to learn from it and get better as a program. You can't make those mistakes against teams like that."

Delapaz then threw a 2-yard TD pass to junior running back Davion Stackhouse (back after missing the previous game) with 34 seconds to go in the half and freshman Connor Shennan made his sixth of eight extra points.

#### **NOT AGAIN**

It was more of the same to start the third quarter, with



Salem didn't have the ball much Friday against arch-rival Canton. But that didn't stop Rocks' sophomore tailback Marcus Houston (No. 31) from running hard on the wet turf. Here Houston eludes hard-charging Canton senior linebacker Alex Dixon (No. 32 at right).

Salem fumbling the kickoff and giving the Chiefs a first down near the goal line.

Sophomore Kevin Buford scored on a 1-yard run just 1:23 into the third.

The Chiefs kept pouring it on, even after putting reserves into the contest.

First it was junior quarterback Ben Merbler scoring on a 7-yard keeper late in the third. Then with time running out in the fourth, junior running back Nick Alaniva scored on a 33-yard run to complete the Canton scoring.

Salem did finally get on the board in the fourth when junior Ethan Walsh split the uprights on a 39-yard field goal — to make it a 55-3 game.

Senior quarterback Brian Maksimovic, who had the golden touch after entering the game in the third (4-4, 71 yards), threw a 34-yard TD pass to wide-out Brandon Ciciotti with about five minutes remaining.

Now, Baechler will await Selection Sunday (7 p.m. on Fox Sports Detroit) to see who

the Chiefs play in the opening playoff game. Britnall will look back on a "rollercoaster" season and plan for the future.

#### Late results

Results from Friday night's Plymouth football game at Adrian were not available as of press time.

The Wildcats took a 6-2 mark into the game and are assured of a playoff berth.

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## **ATTENTION**

### Mothers of Children 4-12 Years old

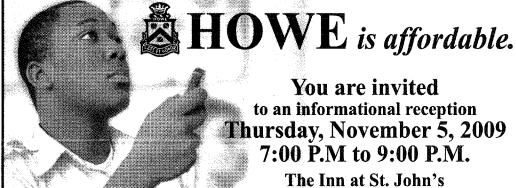
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### **MILESTONES**

#### Melaragni-Considine

Ingrid and Mike Melaragni of Livonia and Judy and Barry Considine of Redford Township are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Julia Melaragni and Robert Considine.

The bride-to-be graduated from Ladywood Catholic High School and the groom from Thurston High School. They are both graduates of Michigan State University.

A late fall wedding is planned.

Four generations

Great-grand-

mother Jean Fox

of Canton holds

Grace Bowman, while grandmother Janet Cuip

(left) of Livonia

and Madisyn's

Bowman, stand

behind them.

mother, Alexandra

Alexandra and her daughter live in

Junction City, Kan.,

where her husband

is stationed as a

medic in the U.S.

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daughter, Madisyn

great-grand-



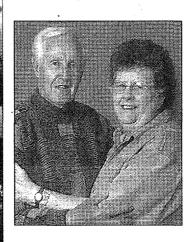
### Kendall Eve Gani

Kendall Eve Gani was born July 14, 2009, at Oakwood Hospital, in Dearborn. She weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and measured 21 1/2 inches.

and Megĥin Gani of Novi. Grandparents are Ed Wojtowicz of Livonia, Audeen Wojtowicz of Livonia, and Bob and Sylvia Gani of Raleigh,

Proud parents are Christian

Great-grandmother is Cathy Wojtowicz of Livonia.



Wedding anniversary

Helen and Ed Taylor of Westland will celebrate 62 years of marriage on Nov. 15.



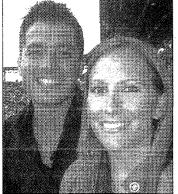
#### White-Duval

Gail White, of Farmington Hills and Charles and Jacqui White, of Bloomfield, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie, to Joshua Duval, son of Gary and Joann Duval of Glens Falls, N.Y.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of North Farmington High School in Farmington Hills. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in architecture in 2003 from Lawrence Technological University, Southfield. Stephanie is currently employed at Poole and Poole Architecture in Richmond, Va., as an architectural draftsman.

The groom is a 1997 graduate of Glens Falls High School in Glens Falls, N.Y. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in finance in 2001 from Syracuse University. He will graduate from Virginia Commonwealth University in 2011 with a Masters in Business Administration. Joshua is currently employed at Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond as a financial analyst.

A June 2011 wedding in Richmond, Va., is planned at The Louis Ginter Botanical Gardens.



#### Sadowski-Fabbri

Shannon Sadowski of Clarkston and Jason Fabbri of Plymouth announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Al and Jody LaLonde of Clarkston and Joe Sadowski of Wyandotte, is a 2005 graduate of Grand Valley State University. She is employed by Genisys Credit Union as an assistant manager.

Her fiancé, son of Karen Fabbri of Pinckneny and Don Fabbri of Plymouth, is a 2005 Grand Valley State University graduate. He is employed by HHA Services of St. Clair

A summer 2010 wedding is planned in Clarkston.

#### Barker-Cislo

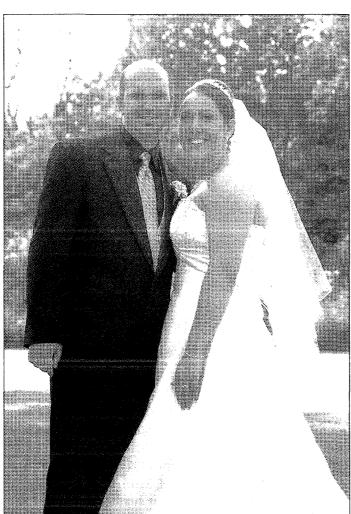
Jennifer Lynn Cislo of Belleville and Craig Daniel Barker of Northville were married June 27, 2009 in Britton. The Rev. Amy Mayo-Moyle officiated.

The bride, daughter of Clyde and Linda Cislo of Milan, graduated in 1996 from Milan High School. She earned an undergraduate degree in 2000 from Eastern Michigan University and a master's degree in 2007 from Spring Arbor University. She teaches sixth grade in Monroe Public Schools.

The groom, son of Daniel and Virginia Barker of Livonia, graduated in 1996 from Adlai E. Stevenson High School, in Livonia. He earned an undergraduate degree in 2000 from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in 2004 from Marygrove College. He teaches history in Livonia Public Schools.

The bride's attendants were: Janel Tucker, friend of the bride, Matron of Honor; Jodi Westrick, cousin of the bride and Jennifer Barker, sister of the groom, bridesmaids; Emily Cislo and Madelyn Cislo, both nieces of the bride, acolytes; Caroline Cislo, niece of the bride, flower girl; and Emma Barker, niece of the groom, Bible bearer.

The groom's attendants were David Wallace, friend



of the groom, best man; Geoffrey Zmyslowski, friend of the groom and Brian "Rocky" Barker, brother of the groom, groomsmen; Benjamin Cislo, nephew and Godson of the bride, ring bearer; and Geoffrey Cislo,

brother of the bride, Andrew

Cislo, brother of bride and Eric Muraszewski, cousin of the groom, ushers.

A reception was held at The Michigan League, Ann Arbor. The couple took a honeymoon trip to California's and Oregon's coast.

They reside in Northville.

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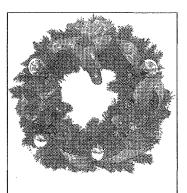
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#### MARGARET AULT

Age 90, October 19, 2009. Beloved wife of Forrest; dearest mother of Marcia Waters, Eran Deran, Forrest II (Anne) and Heather Webb (Richard); grandmother of Rebecca (Larry) Smith, Sarah (Bradley) Imhoff, Audrey (Mark) Ullrich, Hannah (Tim) Clough, Ashley and (Larry) Rick Webb; great grandmother to Cara and Kelsey Smith, Morgan and Gretchen Ullrich, Phineas and Thurston Imhoff. She is also survived by Lena Uptigrove, Laura Ann Roberts and many nieces and nephews. Memorial services were held Friday at Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia. www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com

#### SARAH L. BILSKI

Of St. Clair Shores; October 15, 2009; Age 31. Arrangements by Simple Funerals (586) 777-0555 www.SimpleFuneralsInMichigan.com



ELIZABETH RUTH CHAPIN

October 18, 2009. Age 87 of Plymouth. Beloved wife of Gordon. Dear mother of Clark (Karen) and Ann (Bruce) Cavender. Loving grandmother of Bill Chapin and Robert (Susan) Cavender. Also survived by sister Marilyn Adams, Elizabeth was active for many years in the Portage Yacht Club, Plymouth Historical Society, Plymouth Study Group, Plymouth Library, Tri-County Braille Assn., and Risen Christ Lutheran Church. Memorial Gathering will be held Monday October 26, 2009 10 AM until 11 AM Memorial Service at Risen Christ 46250 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home 46401 West Ann Arbor Rd. Plymouth No flowers please. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Plymouth Historical Society or Risen Christ Lutheran Church. To share a memory with the family please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

#### JAMES "WARREN" **GARLAND**

Of Clinton Township; October 18, 2009; Age 68. Arrangements by Simple Funerals (586) 777-0555

#### www.SimpleFuneralsInMichigan.com JOHN LYNCH HANLEY III

Age 69, of Fowlerville, died October 15, 2009 in Howell. He was born Dec. 19, 1939 in Detroit to John L. and Elanor (Carland) Hanley Jr. He was a 1958 Graduate of Clarenceville High School. He married Barbara (Harrington) in 1983. He worked for Consumer's energy as a welder for 30 years. He was a Charter Member of 2 Ham Radio Clubs, Member of the Emergency Management team of Iosoco County for several years thru the 90's, Member and sat on the Board of Directors at Iosco County Sportsmen's Club, life member of NRA and an accomplished Drummer. He is survived by his wife: Barbara sons: John L. IV of Sterling Heights, Patrick Charles of Victoria British Columbia, Michael Andrew of Garden City, 4 Grandchildren: Jason, Breanne, Alyssa, and Brandon, Visitation was held on Monday October 19 at 1-8PM. Services were held Tuesday October 20, 2009 at 11AM at Niblack Funeral Home, Dillingham Liverance Chapel, Fowlerville with Pastor Tom Tarpley officiating. Interment will be at Highland Cemetery.

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#### JENNIFER MARIE (NAGEL) HREHA Of Roseville; October 7, 2009; Age

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#### **BETTY J. KRAUSS**

Age 72, October 19, 2009. Loving mother of Philip "Happy" (Jennifer) and Craig (Masami) Krauss. Dear grandmother of Philip "Trey", Adrian, Jimmy, Allen and Renee. Beloved sister of Joy Kinun and Jerry Parks and the late Bill Wood and the late Bob Parks. Betty was a member of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church and retired from the Ford Motor Company. Visitation was Friday at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 W. Six Mile, Livonia; and Saturday visitation at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Rd., Livonia until her funeral. Burial at Lenawee Hills, Tecumseh. Memorials may be made to the church or the American Cancer Society in her honor

#### MATILDA A. LACONIS

Age 95, of Farmington, Michigan. October 17, 2009. Arrangements by THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, Farmington.

#### RICHARD C. MILLER

80, of Flat Rock MI, joined his loving mother, Mildred Ballard, wife, Martha Jean Miller and his brother Robin (Butch) Miller on October 18, 2009. Dearest brother to Joan (Robert) Avery and loving father to Gene (Doreen) Miller, Jill (Curtis) Oxendine-Collins and Gene (Jill) Stewart. Adorned grandfather of Stephanie Oxendine, Rebecca Collins and Haley Miller. Memorial services held at the VFW Hall at 1055 S. Wayne Rd. on October 26 from 1-3pm



ARBUTUS "Boots" ROSE MUNCH

Age 96, died of natural causes on October 14, 2009 in Englewood, FL. Born July 22, 1913 in Plymouth, MI to Lottie (Ogden) Williams and John G. Williams, Boot resided in Plymouth until 1998 when she moved to Florida. She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Munch: daughters, Freda (Killingworth) Bailey and Jo Ann (Killingworth) Williams; brother, Gilbert Williams; and granddaughter, Debra Bailey. She is survived by daughters Connie (Killingworth) Strautz of Dexter, MI; and Wanda (Killingworth) Shrank of Englewood, FL; three nieces, 36 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, and two greatgreat-grandchildren. There will be a graveside memorial service at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth, MI on October 30, 2009, at 11:00am.

WILMA M. NEWMAN Age 93, of Livonia, Michigan, beloved wife of the late John J. Newman, passed away on October 22, 2009. Survived by sister Jeanette Formaz and loving mother to Nancy Cadreau, Linda, Deborah (James) Jesswein, Gregory (Kathleen), Michael, and Timothy. Grandmother to Bronwen, Blair, Bryce, Joseph and Kelly. Cremation rights were accorded.



#### PHYLLIS ANN **QUARTUCCIO**

October 17, 2009 Age 84 of Wayne. Beloved wife of the late Joseph. Dear mother of Michael (Connie), Josephine (Jimmie) Schewe, Larry (Julie). Grandmother to Michael Judy), Doug (Leslee), Jennifer Anthony, and (Anthony) Keller. Great grandmother of Eric, Bradley, Tyler, Hayley, Brett, Cameron, Colin, Tori, Taylor, Bryson, Jacob, and Aubrey. Memorial service was held Wednesday 1pm from The Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with a gathering from 11am-1pm. Cremation rights were accorded. Family requests

memorials to St. Jude Hospitals. Please view memorial and send tributes at www.uhtfh.com



JAMES E. ROACHE

October 22, 2009, age 85, of Livonia. Loving husband of Joyce for 60 years. Devoted father of Carroll James (Jeanette), Timothy (the late Susan), Daniel (Susan) and Kathleen (Thomas) Jarvis. Grandfather of Keri, Robert, Sarah, Stephen, Samuel, Jacob Daniel and the late Ronald. Great-grandfather of Nichole, Steven, James and Kristin. Brother of Barbara, Rosalie, Thomas and Patrick. Family will receive friends Sunday 2-8pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Funeral Service will be Monday, 11:00am at the funeral home.

#### JOSEPH CLYDE ROBERTS

Age 89. October 17, 2009 of Dearborn. Beloved husband of Norma. Loving father of Marjorie Roberts, Mary Beth (Edward) Fest and Jeffery Roberts. Also survived by two grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren. Visitation was held ednesday at Henry Ford Village Chapel. Arrangements by the Dearborn Chapel of the Voran Funeral Home. Obituary/guestbook at: www.voranfuneralhome.com

#### MARYBETH DEAN

WILSON Born December 8, 1926. She was a devoted wife and mother, an enthusiastic home-maker, gardener and world traveler. She was a charter member of the Osage branch of the Women's National Garden Association, a member of the Village Club of Bloomfield, St Dunstan's Theater Guild and a member of the Republican Party of Oakland County. Marybeth volunteered at Beaumont Hospital. She is survived by her husband Ira Wilson II, three children Ira "Trip" Wilson III, Spring Wilson Clarke and Scott Dean Wilson and five grand children Kristen and Brittany Wilson, Ashton and Jayme Clarke and Eric Wilson and her sister Helen Dean Ross. There will be a private family service and burial at the Woodlawn Cemetery. Memorials my be sent to any charity of your choice.



#### THERESE ANN ZIGMAN

Age 74, October 21, 2009. Beloved wife of Paul. Dear mother of Paula (Charles) Meyers, Thomas (Teresa), (Ilona) and Jeffrey. Grandmother of Beth Ann (Kyle) Fuller, Kellie Meyers, Lauren, Shane, Skyler, Hannah and Tristan Zigman. Sister of Robert Fretter, Rita Henson, George Fretter and the late Fritz were Services Arrangements by Santeiu and Son Funeral Home. Memorials suggested to Angela Hospice.

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## NEIGHBORS

## Economy scaring you? Get creative with your costumes

BY SHARON DARGAY **O&E STAFF WRITER** 

If you plan to pinch pennies on a costume this Halloween, you're not alone.

According to the National Retail Federation, consumers will spend approximately \$20 on costumes and will shell out an average \$56 — down 10 from last year - on allHalloween trappings. Young adults will spend nearly \$20 less on ghoulish garb and

"With part-time jobs more scarce and parents unable to help out financially, many young adults have been impacted substantially by the economy," stated Phil Rist, executive vice president for Strategic Initiatives. BIGresearch, the firm that conducted the spending survey for the national retailers group.

"The overriding theme for Americans' Halloween celebrations this year will be, 'How creative can I be, and how little can I spend?"

Karla Lukasik hears that mantra every year in the Salvation Army Thrift Store that she manages in Livonia.

"Our customers are very clever and creative. They are looking to create their costumes through what we have in the store. Sometimes it's just filling in. They already have parts and they come in for the rest," she said.

And although Christmas decor has begun to supplant Halloween items on a few shelves in the store, more of



suggests a Bride of Frankenstein look with an inexpensive gown from Salvation Army Thrift Store. Add a little ghoulish makeup, add a goofy feather hat or give yourself a vertical 'do and you're ready to party.

Karla Lukasik



Salvation Army Thrift Store employee Lauren Alder shows off clothing for a 1980s girl costume. The bonus? You can wear the pieces separately after Halloween, too ... if you dare.

with other merchandise this week.

the spooky stuff will arrive

#### ONE OF A KIND

"Between clothing and bric-a-brac we put out at least 5,000 items a day, Monday through Friday," Lukasik said. "It's a treasure hunt every day."

Brian Cochrane, who overseas the six Salvation Army shops in Western Wayne County, sees at least one man every year "who lost a bet or his wife or girlfriend egged him on" in search of the perfect women's dress for Halloween.

"When they come in together with their buddies, we always have one of our

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A quick scan through one shelf and two shopping carts turned up a grass hula skirt for 99 cents, partially-trimmed masks at two for 99 cents, plastic hats, glitter wings and accessories at more than half off their original price.

sales girls help them pick what

would be their size," he said.

'The closer we get to Halloween, the bigger the discount," Lukasik noted. "There's a lot of last-minute trying to put a costume together. We'll definitely help people throw something together.

"One that comes to mind is a woman who decided she would be a tourist. So she came in and found a tacky, tropical print button-down shirt. She found rope-style sandals, a Polaroid box-style camera that you wear around your neck and she found some really wild sunglasses. I even found her some globe earrings."

She and her staff created these costumes from clothing on hand:

 Overalls and new flannel shirt for a farmer look, \$14.

• Button-down countrystyle shirt, distressed blue jeans and straw for a cowboy,

• Bride's dress — you add makeup and hair to become Frankenstein monster's mate for as low as \$5.

• Pinker animal stripe pants, pink sweater and vest create a punk rock girl for about \$18.

· Housecoat, furry slippers and shower cap or curlers make for a scary look at around \$7.

### Secrets from theater costumers

If you're looking for Halloween costume fodder, check out your linen closet.

"Old tablecloths make lovely angels and ghosts," says Patti Wachtel, costumer for Rosedale Players in Redford. "Make a robe for a shepherd. Princesses look good in old lacy table cloths.

"I used to do this for Joanne Fabrics. I'd sit at a table and make kids' costumes without sewing. I'd show how to make up things. I'm pretty creative because I had little boys."

Her sons are, too. One of them went trick or treating as road kill one year in a costume that consisted of a painted-on tire, lots of stuffed animals and a good deal of fake blood.

Another year, "he took a box and covered it with black silk and ran the straps from his Boy Scout backpack through it." He cut the bottom off the box, eased himself into it after dressing up as a vampire and carted his own "coffin" along with him.

Last year Wachtel made a Tootsie Roll by folding and sewing one side of fleece fabric. She simply gathered the top and added lettering.

"Another cute one is if you want to be a crayon. Take a sheet out of the color you want it to be," and sew it the same way you'd make a Tootsie Roll. Add electrical tape lettering and make a pointy hat from triangular felt.

Don't let a lack of sewing skills hold you back.

"I use a lot of stick-on Velcro, the cheap kind from the dollar store," she said.

Another idea: Glue a print of a famous painting, such as the Mona Lisa, to cardboard, cut out the face and you become

the painting. Barbara Bloom, president of Spotlights Players in Canton, offered a simple-to-assemble costume suggestion: "I was a

road one year." She wore a black shirt and black pants with yellow tape placed down the center. "Little pieces of paper" and stuffed animals gave the illusion of litter and road kill on the high-

- By Sharon Dargay

#### **Arthritis Today**

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Some types of arthritis seem to just appear. One day you awake and your knee or ankle pains when you take your first step. Then you notice that the painful joint is swollen. You don't recall any collision, slip, fall or twisting turn.

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## Tail Waggers USA rolls a strike for animals Benefit on tap

**BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER** 

Aunt Jean Polka is dancing for joy in heaven.

"She's totally high fiving me," says niece Laura Zain, of Livonia, who founded the Tail Wagger's Bowl, an annual fund-raiser for animals, in memory of her aunt.

"We have a huge passion for animals in our home. My aunt used to say if she had \$100,000 she'd donate it all to animal welfare. She had a bar in Detroit and used to feed every stray around. Her biggest concern was 'what will happen to the animals when I die?

When she did die, at age 52 of a massive aneurysm, Zain adopted her aunt's "bar hound" and called an animal welfare group to round up the strays.

Zain also created what she initially thought would be a one-time bowling event to raise money for animals and fulfill her aunt's long-time dream.

"Sixty two people showed up. The following year people started calling the bowling center.'

Within five years, Tail Wagger's USA and it's annual bowling event had raised 100,000 — the amount Aunt Jean had always dreamed about.

"Now here we are with our 20th anniversary year," Zain said. "I never thought we'd be here 20 years. I'm overwhelmed by that. But I feel like there is no stopping us now.

"We have our mission and we've never changed. What makes us unique is that we're raising money to give back to community, to people who need help with their animals."

Tail Wagger's USA runs a pet food assistance program for pet owners who can't afford to feed their animals.

"We have various food bar-



Laura Zain, founder of Tail Waggers USA in Livonia, with furry friends at last year's bowling event.



rels throughout the city, even into Washtenaw County. There's no process for asking for food. We hope people will be honest (about their need) but they don't have to fill out forms."

The group sponsors low-cost spay, neuter and vaccination clinics and maintains an emergency assistance fund for pets in crisis. Calls for emergency assistance come from individuals, families, rescue organizations and veterinarians on behalf of their patients.

"I've never liked thought of putting a dog to sleep because

of lack of funds. It breaks my heart," said Zain, a single mom

with three sons, two dogs and

several cats at home. "We've always kept that as a concept, to help people pay for (vet) services. It could be something like a dog went blind because of bad cataracts or was in an accident and injured. Maybe it's cancer treatment. We fix a lot of knees and legs. The majority of our calls are from good pet ownership families. Their dog (or cat) has a catastrophe or crisis.'

Zain tells the story of a Livonia family whose dog suffered from a painful paw. One veterinarian suggested amputating the dog's leg or putting the pooch to sleep. The family called Zain and asked for help. Tail Wagger's paid for \$800 worth of diagnostic tests at a veterinary specialist. The tests revealed a cancerous tumor on one toe. The toe was amputated and the dog — with leg intact survived.

"We don't have limitations on what we spend. We've spent \$60 on this and \$4,000 on

that. It's whatever it takes to keep these animals with their families."

The bowling event has helped to keep the organization's coffers in the black. In previous years, the one-day fund-raiser has earned from \$27,000-\$52,000.

"It's crazy ... it's from bowling," said Zain, who maintains a day job with an Ann Arborbased nonprofit.

Although Tail Wagger's Bowl is the organization's signature event, it also runs "Comedy for a Cause," held at Joey's in Livonia; and Woofstock, which combined music and dancing in Commerce Township.

Zain hopes to add a fashion show fund-raiser in spring

the Bailey Center in Westland

isn't just about good pasta, but it's also aimed at helping the family of 7-month-old Avery Klemola cope with the financial fall-out of their daughter's cancer treatment.

"My mom has home day care and provides care for Avery. So we've known them for quite a while," said Laurie Kidd of Livonia. She and her sister, Rhonda Silcox of Garden City, are coordinating the spaghetti dinner benefit for Sheila and Shawn Klemola, their baby daughter and two sons.

Although the family has health insurance, Sheila is not working while her daughter is undergoing treatment.

"Their income has been

A spaghetti dinner Nov. 14 at drastically cut. We want to raise whatever we can to help them," Kidd said.

Tickets for the spaghetti dinner are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 14. Children

under 2 are free. The benefit dinner and raffle will be held 4-9 p.m., at the Bailey Center, 3665 Ford Road, Westland.

To donate goods, services or gift certificates for the raffle. call Silcox at (734) 576-3578 or e-mail to dnr@wowway. com. Or call Kidd at (734) 891-3616 or Laurie6467@aol.

Can't attend the fund-raisers? Donations will be accepted for the "Avery Klemola Fund" in care of Kidd, at 9065 Cardwell, Livonia, MI 48150.

### **20TH TAIL WAGGER'S BOWL**

What: Tail Wagger's USA signature fund-raising event for animal welfare

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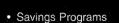
Where: Woodland Lanes, 33775 Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: \$25 admission includes three games of bowling, shoe rental, anniversary T-shirt and lunch or dinner. At the kids-only session, youngsters can take an oath to become "Pet Cadets." They'll receive cards with a telephone number they can call if they see an act of animal cruelty. Animals will be on hand at the event

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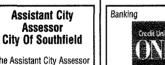
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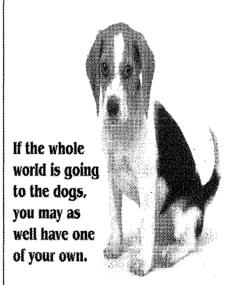
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Masri Orthodontics, 35200 Schoolcraft, Suite 104, Livonia, will buy back Halloween candy 4-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 2.

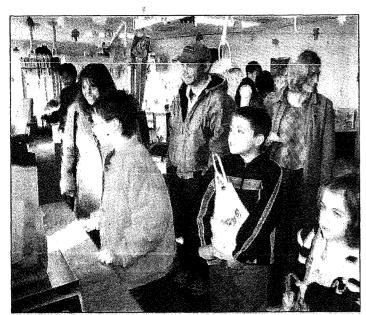
It will give \$2 to each child per pound of surrendered candy. One dollar will go to the child and \$1 will be donated to Livonia Goodfellows; a charity that provides food and other supplies to local families

and veterans in need.

The surrendered candy will be shipped overseas to military troops in Iraq, along with hand written letters from the community.

The event helps the Livonia Goodfellows in its mission to provide assistance to those in need and promotes great oral hygiene by offering an alternative to Halloween Candy consumption.

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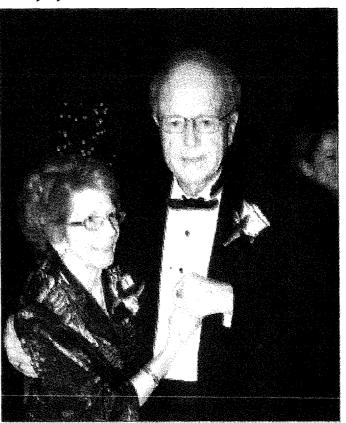
St. Mary Mercy's 17th Annual Gala earlier this month raised more than \$200,000 for the hospital's Graduate Medical Education Program. More than 600 guests attended the "Golden Anniversary" event at Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center, in Livonia.

"The support of our generous sponsors truly makes a difference to this hospital and the communities we serve," said Sara Stauffer, director of development, in a statement. "The proceeds from this year's event will assist in building a vital

component of St. Mary Mercy's residency program - clinical research."

The program, slated to begin in summer 2010, includes medical student education, residency, research and training programs. It will designate St. Mary Mercy as a training hospital.

David Mendelson and his mom, Phyllis, dance up a storm at the St. Mary Mercy Hospital's gala.



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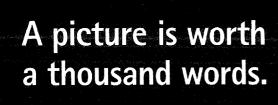
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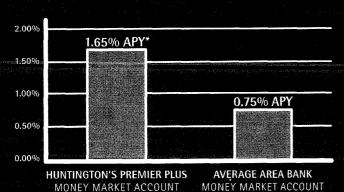
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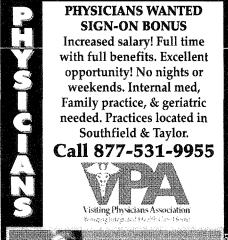
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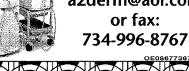
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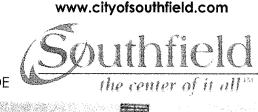
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### City of Southfield

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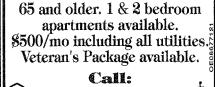
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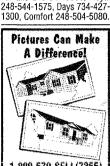
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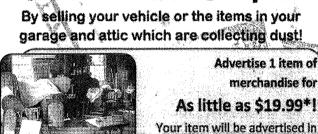
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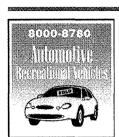
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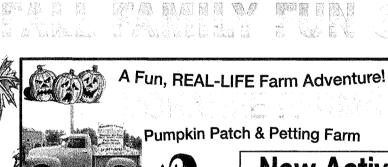
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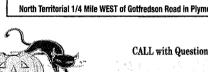
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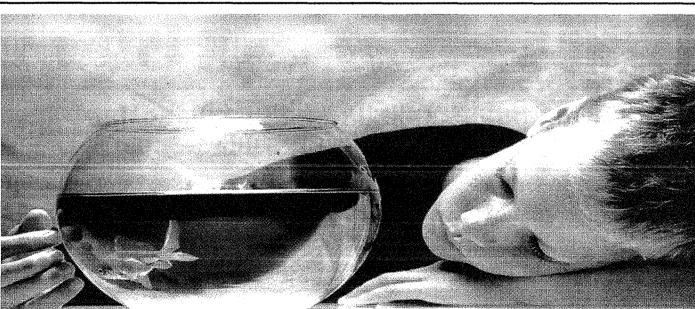
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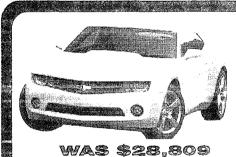
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