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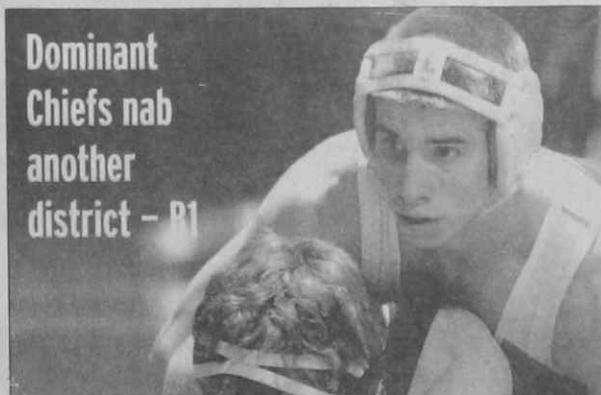
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Bells toll

Even in a down economic time, they almost made it.

According to figures released this week, the Plymouth Salvation Army raised 96 percent of its fund-raising goal for its 2009 Christmas campaign.

The effort included the annual Red Kettle Campaign, which started in November and ran through Christmas Eve, and the mail-in campaign. Figures released are through January.

The Plymouth Salvation Army, which serves Canton, Plymouth, Northville and Belleville, raised more than \$302,220, a figure that was within \$1,000 of what was raised a year ago and just over \$13,000 less than the goal.

"We thank the community for their support of the 2009 campaign, both through monetary giving and volunteering their time," said Capt. Dan Hull, Plymouth corps officer.

Overall, the Salvation Army of Metro Detroit raised more than \$7.4 million during the 2009 Red Kettle Campaign, just \$337,948 short of its \$7.8 million goal.

Dental contest

February is National Children's Dental Health Month, and the Michigan Dental Association and the Michigan Dental Foundation are sponsoring their 17th annual statewide coloring contest, with the goal of helping raise awareness of oral health and encourage children to develop good habits to prevent dental problems as they grow up.

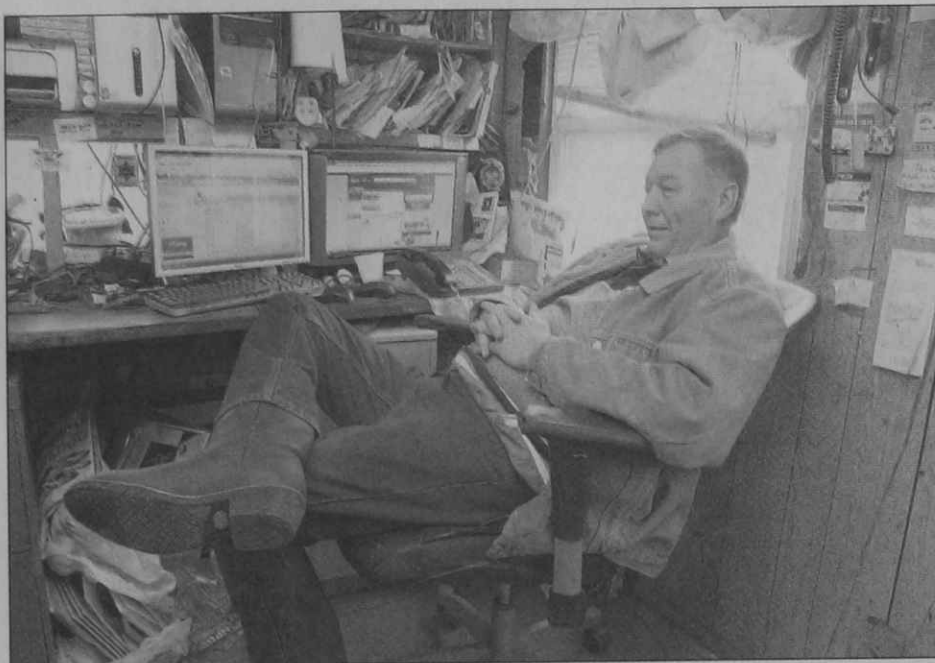
Children in kindergarten through sixth grade are eligible; prizes will be awarded for the top two entries in each grade. The first-place prize winner in each grade receives a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond and a goody bag of smaller prizes; second-place winner gets the goody bag and a \$50 bond.

Children can use crayons, pencils, markers, paint or even beads and other materials on the special coloring sheet. For a copy of the coloring contest picture and entry form, contact your Michigan Dental Association member dentist or visit the MDA's Web site at www.smile-michigan.com. Deadline is March 5.

Village voices

Village Voices presents their third annual Gospel Concert, "He Still Leads," 4 p.m. Sunday, March 8. The concert will feature songs such as "I Can't Even Walk (Without You Holding My Hand)," "Good News Bad" and "You Can Call on God." The performance will be held at First United Methodist Church, 45001 N. Territorial in Plymouth. Tickets cost \$12 and are now on sale at www.BeckRidgeChorale.org.

Eye of the beholder



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Owner Brian Johnson (above) mans his office at E&M Auto Parts, in business in Canton since 1955. Many cars (top) have been around for a while at E&M.

One man's wreckage is another's gold

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Folksy stories and good-natured razzing unfold just as quickly as used car parts get sold at E&M Auto Parts, a sprawling, outdoor business tucked away at Van Born and Morton Taylor roads on Canton's far south side.

Even on a cold, wintry day when customer Edmund Williams stopped by to get a used radiator for his 1997 Cadillac, an atmosphere of warm camaraderie blankets this eight-acre business that has made its home in Canton since 1955.

"I think this place is pretty good," Williams said, driving away satisfied from E&M, a place where one auto owner's wreckage is another's pot of gold.

Owner Brian Johnson, 57, bought E&M Auto Parts in 1979 when he was 26 years old, after working as a boilermaker, mechanic and Ford Motor Co. employee. He had returned to southeast Michigan after spending his high school years living in the Upper Peninsula and deciding it was a little too remote for him.

"I graduated a year early to get out," Johnson said. "I hitchhiked back and made it in five hours after I caught a ride with a Detroit police officer who was late for work."

Johnson, a Belleville resident, used to live in Westland near his former employee, Chuck Harper, whose son, Russ Harper, became a second-generation worker for E&M. Russ Harper has been there 25 years and is the manager.



Tom White, standing next to a late-1950s Chrysler, likes his job because he enjoys being outside and "it's always different."

Back in their old neighborhood, Johnson used to have a St. Bernard that earned a reputation for chasing Russ Harper on his way to school.

"That dog used to chase me all over the place," Harper, 49, recalled, sitting inside E&M's small office as mechanic Tom White just happened to walk by.

"Tom says I'm crazy," Harper said, a statement White good-naturedly confirms.

On a more serious note, Harper said, "I wouldn't work anywhere else."

Walking outside, White proudly gave a tour of E&M land that's crowded with nearly 2,000 domestic and foreign cars and trucks, including newer models involved in crashes and older, rusted-out autos dating back as far as the 1950s.

Johnson, a divorced father of four, has found clothing, guns and other personal belongings left in cars. "One time I found \$36 under a floor mat in the back of a taxi cab."

E&M sells vehicles outright — cars and trucks that still run or just need a little fixing up — and the company has parts that often aren't easy to find.

Johnson buys his vehicles from auctions, off the street, from suppliers and out of back yards — anywhere people might have them towed after an accident.

"We've got four flat-beds," White, 34, said.

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Foundation rolls out red carpet to help Gleaners

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Movie star impersonators, young paparazzi and an eight-foot Oscar statue will adorn Canton's Emagine Theatre lobby as the Canton Community Foundation rolls out the red carpet for an Academy Awards celebration where generosity reigns over glitz.

There's little *Up In The Air* about this event, no surprise move from *The Blind Side* — and don't even think of staying home and sending an *Avatar*, unless it has money and a charitable heart.

This year's "Magical Night with the Stars" begins unfolding at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 7 — Oscar night — as the foundation raises money to help Gleaners Community Food Bank, an organization that last year gave more than 30 million pounds of food to soup kitchens, shelters and pantries across southeast Michigan, including Canton-based Open Door Ministry.

"We wanted to help Gleaners because the food need is so great," foundation President Joan Noricks said, citing a need that has grown as area families have lost jobs amid a grueling economic recession.

"We've had a close relationship with Open Door Ministry," Noricks added, "and the majority of their food comes from Gleaners."

Though the reason for the Oscar fund-raising event is serious, event co-chair Lisa Rozum said it will be festive with local youngsters posing as paparazzi to snap pictures of celebrity impersonators and other locals as they walk the red carpet inside the Emagine Theatre on Ford Road east of I-275.

The cost is \$75 per person or \$750 for a table of 10. The night includes a VIP cocktail reception at 5:30 p.m., a red carpet ceremony at 6 p.m. and a strolling dinner and dessert 6:30-8 p.m. — all capped at 8 p.m. by music and dancing, the Hollywood awards show on the big screen and Oscar-nominated movies for viewing.

"It's going to be a really fun night," said Rozum, a community foundation board member who is co-chairing the event with another board member, Beth Bland.

Organizers are asking those who plan to attend to respond by Feb. 26, either by calling the foundation at (734) 495-1200 or logging on to www.cantonfoundation.org, where more information is available. Donors may receive special recognition for giving more than the cost of admission, ranging from \$500 for a Best Director contribution to \$10,000 for a Lifetime Achievement Award.

The evening also will include raffles and other fund-raising activities. Jeff Zak Catering of Plymouth will provide the food, and Noricks commended Emagine Theatre owner Paul Glantz for letting the foundation use the popular movie theater.

"It is a huge donation," Noricks said.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Locals turned out in bunches for last year's Magical Night with the Stars event, sponsored by the Canton Community Foundation at Emagine Theater. This year's event is scheduled for Oscar Night Sunday, March 7.

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Canton rec program grabs parks honor

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Canton program that randomly rewards local residents for engaging in healthy activities has garnered statewide attention.

Canton Leisure Services employees last spring began occasionally going into the community, finding people exercising outside and rewarding them with small gifts such as Frisbees, T-shirts, water bottles, apples and "all sorts of fun goodies," said Jennifer Provenzano, recreation specialist.

Dubbed the Random Acts of Fitness program, it has rewarded nearly 100 people for playing tennis, volleyball, riding bikes, jogging, walking dogs, washing their cars — anything that keeps them active.

"We've had such a positive response," Provenzano said. "During one of our trips, we hit all of the parks."

Modeled after a program initiated in New York City by Subway, a fast-food company that touts its healthy offerings, Random Acts of Fitness has earned an Innovation Recreation Programming Award from the nonprofit Michigan Recreation & Park Association, which recently had its annual

conference in Grand Rapids.

The award, given this year to only four recreation programs across Michigan, was presented to Provenzano and Leisure Services employees Travis Faulkner, Amanda Buelow, Jennifer Judycki and Jon-Eric Cornellier for creating and implementing it.

"It's our hope that this popular program encourages folks to get outdoors in every season," Provenzano said. "By rewarding these healthy lifestyle choices, we're adding a real element of excitement to being active outdoors."

The Random Acts of Fitness squad last hit the street in November to reward people walking near local schools, and it will be on patrol again in spring.

In addition to the fitness program award, Canton Leisure Services also received a Marketing Showcase Award from MRPA for its fall 2009 Discover brochure, distributed to spur interest in the leisure department's offerings.

Touted as one of the township's prime communication tools, the brochure is published three times a year and includes detailed listings of classes, programs and events offered by Canton Leisure Services.

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Actors go 'Barefoot'

Spotlight Players bring Neil Simon class to stage

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Spotlight Players are bringing playwright Neil Simon's longest-running Broadway success to the stage for a much shorter run at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

Using a variety of experienced Spotlight actors - and a bevy of celebrity performers in a cameo role - "Barefoot in the Park" starts its Canton production Friday. The play runs Feb. 19-21 and Feb. 26-28.

"I am huge fan of Neil Simon," said veteran director Allison Soranno, whose involvement with the Spotlight Players dates back to when the group was the Plymouth Theatre Guild. "I love the way he finds the humor in realistic situations. Particularly with Barefoot, I enjoy the characters and how they remind me of people in my own life."

The romantic comedy focuses on two newlyweds, Corie and Paul Bratter, as they begin married life in a tiny fifth floor walk-up apartment in a mid-Manhattan brownstone. According to Soranno, the play shows the reality of newlyweds adjusting to the institution of marriage. Paul, a conservative young lawyer, is 26 going on 56. His wife, Corie, is full of adventurous spirit and hope for the future. Both husband and wife must relinquish a part of themselves to ease the transition from honeymoon to housekeeping.

Maria Kovac of Canton was chosen to bring Corie Bratter to life, while Russ Schwartz of Ann Arbor plays her husband, Paul Bratter. Waterford's Chris Garland plays Ethyl Banks, Drex Morton of Canton is Victor Velasco and John Boufford of Farmington is the telephone guy.

For the only other role - the delivery man - Soranno devised a revolving door of local celebrities to make cameo appearances, including Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Craig Fiegel, Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy, WJR radio's Pete Misiak, Guy Copland of Magic 105.1-FM, Fox 2 sports anchor Dan Miller, Channel 7 news anchor Stephen Clark, Channel 7 meteorologist Sean Ash and Channel 7 weekend anchor Vic



Chris Gardener (left) as Mrs. Ethyl Banks, Russ Schwartz as Paul Bratter and Canton resident Maria Kovac as Corie Bratter take to the stage in Neil Simon's 'Barefoot in the Park' starting Friday.

Faust.

"The role of the delivery man is literally a 'walk-on' part," said Soranno, who is directing "Barefoot" for the third time in her career. "In brainstorming ways to publicize our production, I thought this character provided the perfect opportunity to invite local celebrities to partake in a project to support the community, and hopefully spark some interest among their fans."

Fiegel said he got an e-mail from someone at Channel 7 urging him to do the part, and he agreed, despite the fact he's never set foot on stage before. The non-speaking role appeals to him, and he thinks he can carry it off.

"I felt like if they think it helps, I'm willing to walk on," said Fiegel, who then dead-

panned, "I have to deliver boxes and breathe hard, and if I have to walk very far, I'll be breathing hard anyway, so maybe I am the right guy."

Soranno is particularly excited to be performing the play at the Village Theater, a venue she calls "a beautiful addition to Canton."

"Neil Simon does a great job of writing the jokes for you ... his comedy requires good timing and smart delivery," said Soranno, whose next project is as Choreographer for the upcoming production of "Gypsy" for the Farmington Players in April. "The show is appropriate for people of all ages and relatable for all walks of life. Come ready to laugh yourself to tears!"

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Chris Gardener of Waterford plays Mrs. Ethyl Banks and Canton's Drex Morton is Victor Velasco in the Spotlight Players' production of 'Barefoot in the Park.'

DETAILS

What: Spotlight Players' production, "Barefoot in the Park"

Where: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, in Canton

When: 8 p.m. Feb. 19; 2 and 8 p.m. Feb. 20; 2 p.m. Feb. 21; 8 p.m. Feb. 26; 2 and 8 p.m. Feb. 27; 2 p.m. Feb. 28

Tickets: \$18 adults; \$16 seniors/students under 19; available by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or on-line at www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater or in person at The Summit on the Park or at the door.

Court hearing postponed in DUI injury accident

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The preliminary hearing for a Westland podiatrist charged in the Jan. 29 crash that left a Canton Township woman seriously injured was postponed Friday and rescheduled for Friday, March 12.

Todd Flood, the attorney for Jason N. Choos, told Judge Michael J. Gerou in 35th District Court that more

time was needed for evidence discovery. Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Robert Moran later described that evidence as police and medical records.

Choos, 45, of Canton, is accused of driving a Lincoln MKX into the rear of a Chevrolet Trail Blazer driven by Dawn Hengesbaugh, 40, on the evening of Jan. 29. The crash occurred on Ann Arbor Road near I-275 in Plymouth Township.

Hengesbaugh's husband, Larry Hengesbaugh, and young son and daughter were in the Trail Blazer. Larry Hengesbaugh was not hurt; the children were treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

Dawn Hengesbaugh remains in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti. Her husband said Friday that she is in serious condition, but declined to comment further.

Choos is charged with causing an injury accident while

driving drunk, marijuana possession and illegal possession of a firearm. Police said he did not have a permit for a semi-automatic gun found in the Lincoln.

Choos is free on bond and required to submit to alcohol testing several times a day. He refused to comment following his brief court appearance.

"This is just a very, very tragic case," said his attorney, Flood, adding that prayers are with the Hengesbaugh family.

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Relay fund-raiser

Team "Blocking Out Melanoma," getting ready for the Relay for Life in Canton, hosts a fund-raiser, "Zap Cancer," at the Zap Zone Canton 6-9 p.m. Thursday, March 4.

The event costs \$20 for pre-sale tickets through March 1, \$25 at the door the day of the event. Participants will enjoy three hours of unlimited Laser Tag, Bumper Cars, and Glo Golf. Food and drinks will be sold by the team. Zap Zone will donate a portion of the ticket sales and all of the food and drink sales toward the Relay for Life Canton team.

The team was created in memory of former Plymouth High School freshman girls volleyball coach Kim Renzi, who lost a seven-month battle with cancer in April 2009.

Contact Dora Cardenas, team captain, at (734) 927-4642 to purchase tickets or for additional information.

Wrestling fund-raiser

Salem High School Wrestling Boosters would like to invite everyone to their fund-raiser at Buffalo Wild Wings, 41980 Ford Road in Canton Monday, Feb. 15. Flyers can be obtained at the group's Web site at wrestling.salemrock.com. A flyer must be presented at time of order in order for the club to receive a percentage of the proceeds from that day.

Open enroll

Achieve Academy and Canton Charter Academy currently are holding open enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year. Open enrollment will run through 5 p.m., Feb. 26.

Both schools are tuition-free public charter schools operated by National Heritage Academies, a Michigan-based charter school management company that currently operates 61 schools in six states. Seating availability is limited at both schools. Therefore, if the number of students enrolled is greater than the number of seats available, a lottery drawing will be held



Helping Haiti

The student government board at Tonda Elementary School made "support Haiti" buttons to sell, in addition to the whole student community raising more than \$400 for Haiti relief efforts. Showing some of the school's generosity are (from left) David McGrath, Ryan Boyd, Nick Arbanas and Megan Century.

at a later date to determine which children will attend these schools.

For more information or to enroll your child at Achieve Academy or Canton Charter Academy, call 1-866-NHA-ENROLL.

Winter market

On Sunday, Feb. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Canton Farmers Market will hold its first Winter Market at the Cady-Boyer Barn, located at Preservation Park at 500 N. Ridge Road. Additional Winter Markets will be held on March 28 and April 25.

Popular food vendors participating in the Winter Market, included: Kapnick Orchards (Britton), Bobilin Honey (Canton), Bizzy Lizzy Bakery (Hillsdale) Sansonetti Gourmet Food (Holly), Captain John's Smokehouse (Bad Axe) and Natural Local Food Express.

"It's great to see vendors who are dedicated to providing consumers with access to nutritious, locally-produced food all year long," said Canton Farmers Market Manager Tina Lloyd. "It's also nice to see consumers embracing the importance of eating locally produced food while supporting our local economy."

For more information about the Canton Farmers Market and its vendors, check out the Market web page on Cantonfun.org under the tab

"community/special events" where you can also subscribe to the Farmers Market Newsletter. To participate in the 2010 season, contact the Market Manager at 734/398-5570 ext. 5 or via email at cantonfarmersmarket@canton-mi.org.

Sagear scholars

The Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. is striving to recognize a Plymouth-Canton School District High School senior who has overcome adversity with the \$500 Sandra Sagear Rotary Scholarship.

The club is looking for students who have displayed courage, perseverance, spirit, and creativity in succeeding in achieving an education, despite a physical, mental or emotional barrier.

The recipient of this award will receive a scholarship named after Sandra Sagear, a 1969 graduate of the original Plymouth High School who imagined and believed she could succeed as she lived everyday with polio.

Application deadline is March 30, and the award will be announced April 16. Applications can be downloaded at www.storytellerdesign.com/SagearRotaryScholarship.pdf

For more information, contact Debra Madonna at clarion@storytellerdesign.com or call (734) 377-0914.

Rockettes clinic

The Salem Rockettes Pom Team hosts its annual pom/dance clinic at Salem High School Saturday, March 6.

Youngsters in grades K-5 go from 9 a.m. to noon; grades 6-8 go from 1-4 p.m. The cost is \$40. For more information, contact Kim Benintende at (734) 340-9360 for more information, or check the team's Web site at www.pompon.salemrocks.com

'Action' item

Area residents get a chance to lend a helping hand and volunteer for this year's Christmas in Action event Saturday, April 24. Both skilled and unskilled volunteers are needed to help provide repairs to needy seniors' homes in the Canton community from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Skilled services needed include, but are not limited to electricians, carpenters, plumbers, roofers, and others. Unskilled volunteers are needed for cleaning, yard work, and painting.

The day will start with registration from 7:30-9 a.m., and a continental breakfast at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Volunteers will then be shuttled to assigned homes and are encouraged to bring brooms, rakes, and shovels marked with their name, in addition to work gloves.

Lunch will be provided.

For more information on Christmas in Action and the clean-up event scheduled for April 24, call (734) 394-5191 or visit cantonfun.org.

Crafters wanted

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters host their seventh annual Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble on Saturday, March 13. Exhibitors who hand-craft their own items are invited to submit an application to exhibit at the fundraising event to be held at Plymouth High School in Canton. The juried art event is produced twice each year by the PCMB to help support the band and color guard programs at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Artists and crafters who are interested in applying for consideration to exhibit should visit www.pcmb.net/artcraft to download an application and submit, with photos as soon as possible. For more details, contact exhibit coordinator Carol Rosati at (734) 455-0714. Only 105 exhibitors will be permitted to exhibit at this artistic event. The most recent PCMB Art & Craft Ensemble had over 2,000 visitors.

"The Arts & Craft Ensemble has grown to be a high quality, well-attended event where only hand-made items are sold," said John Noss, president of the 2010 Plymouth-

Canton Music Boosters. "The money raised helps the Concert and Marching Bands, Color Guard and Percussion programs that provide students with a one of a kind arts experience. Our recent Holiday event had record-breaking attendance of over 2000 people, so we know the community is accepting of this show."

Plymouth High School is located at 8400 Beck Road in Canton. The Spring Arts & Craft Ensemble will be held from 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on March 13. In addition to over 100 exhibits, there will be food, a raffle, and entertainment by local musicians and artists throughout the day. Admission is \$2.

Wellness extravaganza

Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic welcomes the community to a no-charge Wellness Extravaganza 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 10. The clinic is located at 6231 N. Canton Center Road, Suite 109, in Canton.

Many natural and holistic health professionals will be on hand for information and demonstrations in regards to reaching one's "optimal wellness." Light refreshments and gift drawings will all be part of the evening.

Registration is required due to space limitations. Call (734) 455-6767 for more information.

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BY MAGGIE WUNDERLICH
CORRESPONDENT

Students at Dodson Elementary School warmed up on a chilly February morning during a Soup and Bread Tasting event, sampling whole-grain breads and a variety of soups, including tomato Florentine, bean and cream of chicken rice.

It was all part of the school's yearlong spotlight on nutrition and fitness, and was made possible through a grant by Michigan Department of Education and United Dairy Industry of Michigan.

Dodson was selected as one of 50 Michigan schools - and the only one in the Plymouth-Canton district - to receive the Youth Wellness Initiative Team Nutrition Training grant, designed to improve the school's nutrition and physical activity environment by completing outlined requirements.

The first requirement was to create a school team, which includes principal Dan Carr, teachers Dave Fedewa and Cindy Grah, nutrition coordinator Joanne Randolph and media specialist Beth Sexton. The team's student representatives include fourth-graders Brooke McCaffrey and Richard Walker and fifth-graders Trevor Nowaski, Cassie Berlin and Jordan Kelley.

Next up was attending the Michigan Team Nutrition Youth Wellness Kick Off Summit at Ford Field in Detroit. The highlight of the Summit was the fitness component, which included training events with the Detroit Lions' coaches and meeting Detroit Lions players. This was made possible through Fuel Up to Play 60, which is a



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Dodson second-graders (from left) Moriah Ma, Zeinab Mahfoudh, Karan Patel and Ismael Mian enjoy the soup line.

youth program, sponsored by the National Dairy Council and the NFL.

"We tried out a whole lot of exercising," said Walker, "and it was just a whole lot of fun because we got to meet all the Lions players. It was basically fun!"

In addition to having fun, the student representatives learned a few life changing lessons. Trevor Nowaski now exercises by going on runs with his mother.

"I learned that a lot of people are overweight and now I feel better that I'm doing this so I can help them and how healthiness can change your life," Trevor said.

After the training, the team began to implement further requirements, includ-

ing a November focus on the importance of eating a healthy breakfast and staying active by having "Turn off TV - Tuesdays". December included a promotion for eating more fruits and vegetables. In January and February, they promoted healthier choices, culminating in the Soup and Bread Tasting event. Other planned activities for the rest of the school year include a 5K run in May.

"We're hoping that, through all these yearlong activities," said Carr, "that we're modeling a good healthy lifestyle for children and we're demonstrating some smarter decisions about what to eat and some better choices about staying active and fit."

The soup at the event was made by Heinz and was donated by Sysco Corporation, the food distributor for P-CCS. The assortment of whole grain breads was donated by Panera Bread. Heinz representative Leslie Neighbors said Heinz soup is a healthy choice because "we have no MSG or preservatives in any of our soups."

"They're all frozen at their freshest point so any vegetables that we have in there are basically going to finish the cooking process when you're heating it up," she said. "We have a lot of vegetarian, vegan options and a lot of low fat and low sodium soups."

For more information about nutrition and fitness, visit the MDE website and www.nutritionexplorations.org.

Lions Club honors Discovery student

Speaking at a Youth Leadership Canton meeting recently, Canton Lions Club member Bill Van Winkle was asked about programs and projects in which the Lions get involved.

He rattled off several - providing eyeglasses for the needy or hearing aids to the deaf, work for the Michigan Eye Bank and the Penrickton Center in Taylor, which works with blind and handicapped children, and their efforts with the Leader Dog School for the Blind in Rochester.

But one program - a Peace Poster contest sponsored by Lions International every year - caught the eye of Arjun Chada, a 13-year-old Discovery Middle School student who was among some 30 youngsters in the audience. He volunteered to participate in the poster contest, designed to allow kids 11- to 13-years-old to artistically express their vision of peace in the world.

The problem? The contest deadline was only a week away. Arjun went to work over his Thanksgiving break and met the Dec. 1 deadline, with a great deal of success. Arjun's poster won first place at the Lions District level (Wayne and Monroe counties), then took second place at the Lions multiple-district, statewide competition.

At a recent regular meeting, the Canton Lions Club honored Arjun for his performance, presenting him with an achievement award with Youth Leadership Canton chair Deborah Zevalkink and District 11-A1 Governor John Daoud in attendance.




Discovery Middle School student Arjun Chada and Canton Lion Bill Van Winkle with Arjun's Peace Poster contest entry.

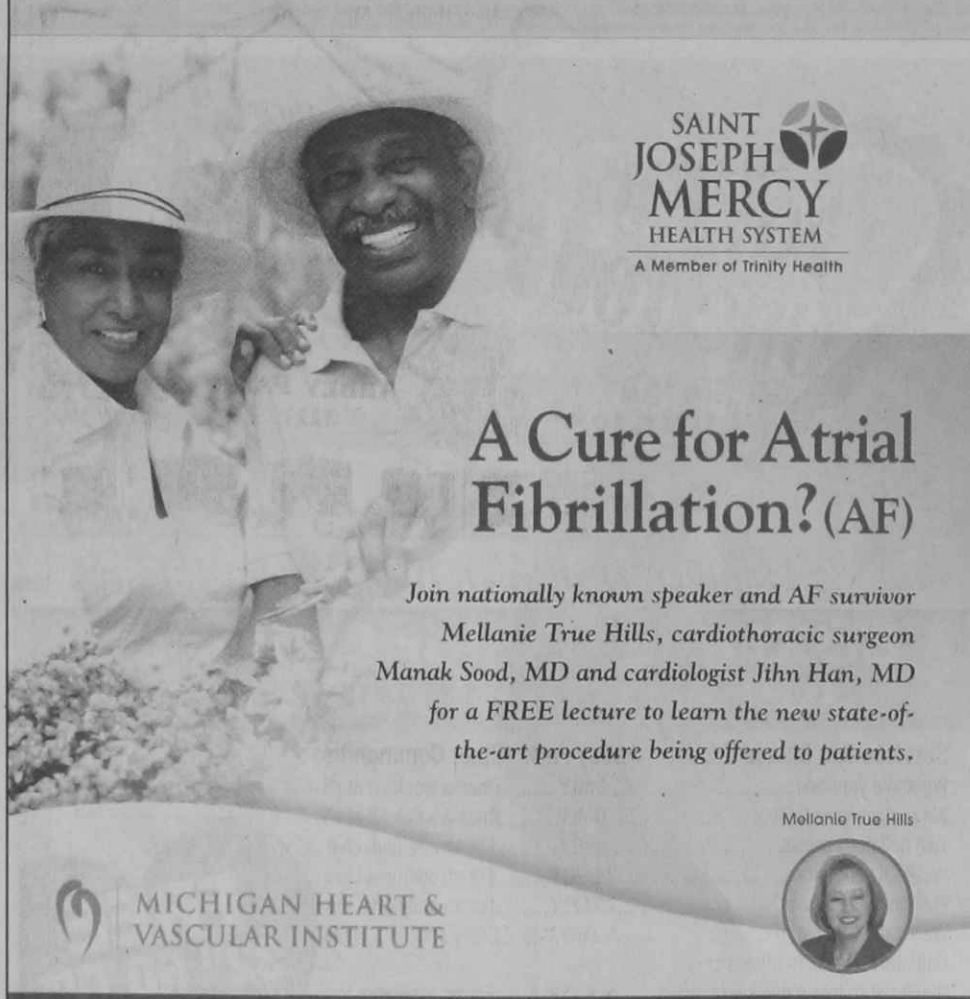
"The governor spoke as to the value of our youth and the future of Lionism," Van Winkle said. "He said he hoped some day (Arjun) would be a Lion."

The Canton Lions Club has 49 members and meets on the fourth Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Cherry Hill School house located at Cherry Hill and Ridge. Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with nearly 1.3 million members in approximately 45,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographical areas around the world. Since 1917, Lions clubs have aided the blind and visually impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and serving youth throughout the world.

For more information or to get involved with the Canton Lions Club, contact Lion Nancy Williams at (734) 358-4280 or patnancywilliams@yahoo.com.



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White has worked for Johnson for a little over two years — not as long as Harper has, but he seems to like his job just as much.

"I like dealing with people, and I like being outside," he said.

E&M has a computer that employees can use to check for parts they have in stock, but mostly they just know without using it. And once a vehicle is no longer needed, it gets crushed on site and sold for scrap steel.

As he walks along, White catches a glimpse of yard manager Mike Dickens, 41, as Dickens uses a front-end loader to move a car from one area to another.

"Now there's somebody you should talk to," White said.

Dickens seems right at home on the front-end loader, but he steps down to the ground for a conversation, not far from where an old school bus has found a home at E&M.

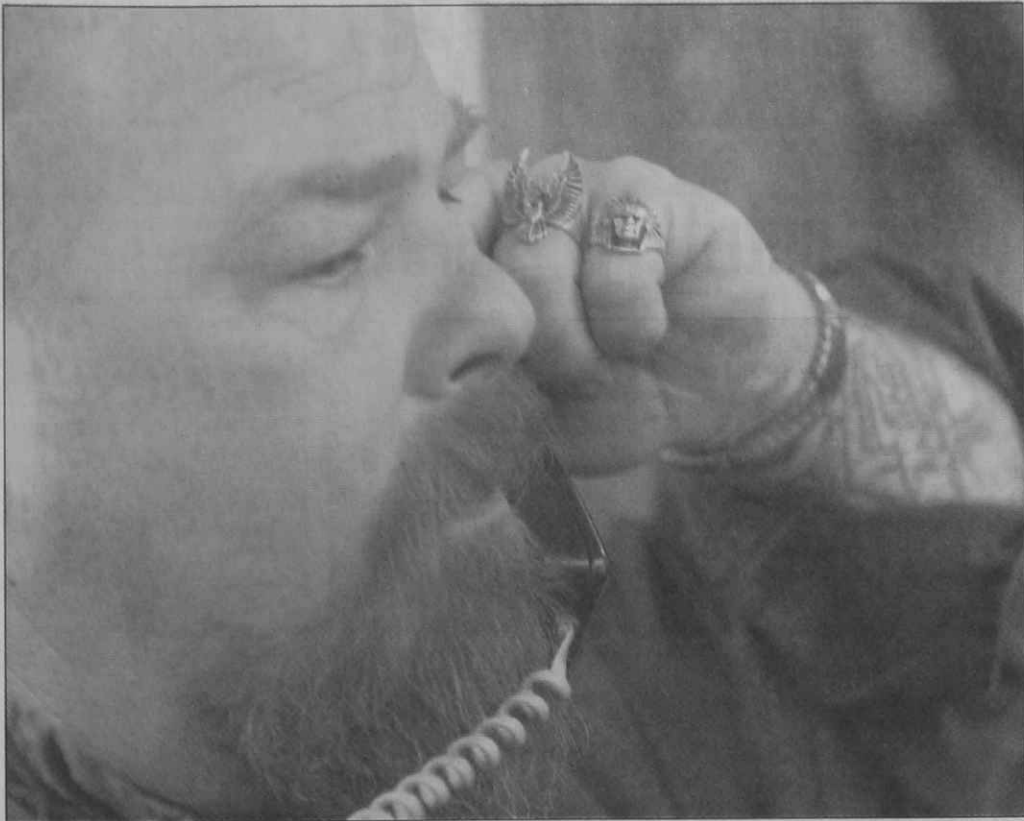
"It's a storage shed," Dickens said. "It's full of transmissions."

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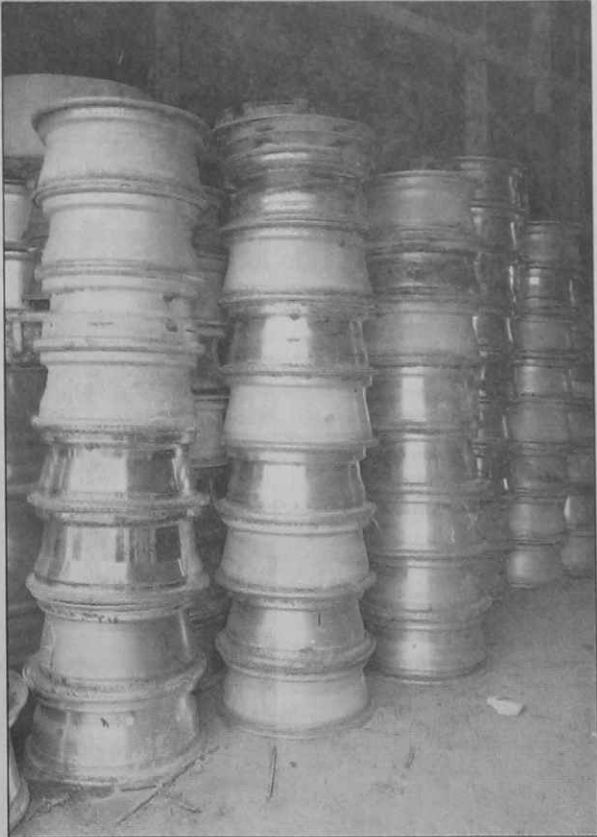
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Author's Oprah shot set to air Monday

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Barring an unexpected snag, Canton author Gregg Tyler Milligan's appearance on *The Oprah Winfrey Show* is scheduled to air Monday, bringing national attention to his childhood of sexual abuse by his mother.

Milligan has described Wednesday's taping before a live audience as emotional and heart-wrenching, although he believes he succeeded at reaching out to other victims with a message of hope.

Afterward, the producers asked him to speak on the

telephone with a woman who needed to talk.

"Her family is torn apart after finding out her husband had molested her two daughters," Milligan said.

During a 25-minute conversation, he consoled the grieving woman and provided advice after taping a show that gave him an opportunity to reach out to millions of people on television. According to WXYZ Channel 7, Winfrey's show airs at 4 p.m. and repeats at 1 a.m.

Milligan, author of *A Beautiful World*, was joined by some of his family members, including wife Sarah, for the

show. He described Winfrey as "incredibly gentle, and her questions were spot on."

Milligan was invited on the show after the producers found him through his involvement with RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network), the nation's largest anti-sexual assault organization. He was nervous yet eager to do the show because he wants to help other abuse victims.

"The message of hope was loud and clear — so powerful that I was approached by several of the audience members, tearful and relieved," he said.

For more information about finding help or about Milligan's book, log on to www.abeautifulworld.com. Note that the Web site has no "o" in the spelling of "world."

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Gregg Milligan said of his appearance on the Oprah Winfrey show, "My main concern and hope is that I help more people this way than through any other possible medium."

Car dealer still hosting food drive

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Officials at Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, concerned about lagging donations to a food drive they're sponsoring to benefit the Plymouth Salvation Army, are hoping customers and other residents will give what they can.

The food drive started last month and is scheduled to run through Friday.

With the need for assistance up some 120 percent, LaRiche employees felt the Salvation Army would make a good beneficiary.

"We'd heard the Salvation Army's needs had increased," said Scott LaRiche, the dealership's general manager. "We thought it would be a good thing for the dealership to do."

The drive is designed to collect non-perishable food and personal care

items. Items being accepted include (but of course aren't limited to) such things as macaroni-and-cheese, pancake mix, boxed pasta, canned fruits and vegetables, crackers, hamburger helper, cereal, peanut butter and jelly, gelatin and pudding mix.

Personal care items include baby products (diapers, wipes, formula, shampoo, etc.), paper products such as paper towels, toilet paper and tissues, soap, shampoo and toothpaste.

The drive was the brainchild of Sylvia Abdel, assistant manager of the dealership's body shop, who wanted to find a project designed to raise the morale of the employees at Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth, something that could unite them for a common cause and give everyone a way to feel good.

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Emerging market funds help diversify investment portfolios

Q: Dear Rick: I am a 55-year-old single woman and I probably will work for another 10 years. I have a 401(k) plan in addition to some other investments. I was at your recent talk at the Royal Oak Library and I was curious if I should be investing in emerging markets. I am a conservative investor. I did see how great some of those emerging market funds did last year, so it has peaked my interest. What do you think?

A: Emerging market funds invest in new economies throughout the world. For example, companies in China, India, Poland or the Mideast. Most of the countries considered emerging markets have relatively new market-based economies that operate under a different business cycle than more traditional economies such as ours or other western-based countries.

On the whole, I recommend that people invest a portion of their portfolio in emerging markets. The fact that these economies operate on a different cycle helps provide a portfolio with diversification. In fact, in just about every portfolio that my firm manages, we have exposure in the emerging market areas. For those who have never invested in emerging funds, it is important to recognize that these funds are very volatile. It is not unusual for these funds to be up 50 percent one year and down 75 percent the next. Not only are these economies subject to normal market volatilities, they tend to have additional issues because they are generally smaller economies and because of their political environment.

For example, China is moving to a market-based economy. However, you can never forget that China is still a communist country. I believe that what makes capitalism work is democracy. Issues can arise because many of these emerging market economies do not embrace democracy. Emerging market investments have additional volatilities that investors must recognize.

Individually an investment in emerging market funds is aggressive, however, when it's part of a balanced and diversified portfolio, it can help reduce the overall risk. Therefore, someone who considers themselves a conservative investor should not avoid emerging market funds.

The key to investing in an emerging market fund is to



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determine the proper allocation. Allocation is the percentage of your portfolio that should be invested in emerging markets. Of course, if you looked at 2009 you would think that the

great bulk of your portfolio should be invested in emerging markets because these funds had such a phenomenal year. However, that is not the case. I believe that because of the volatile nature of emerging market funds, a 3- to 5-percent allocation (3 percent for a more conservative investor and 5 percent for someone who is more aggressive) is appropriate.

When I first got involved in this business, I would always recommend an international fund for a good diversified portfolio. At the time, investing internationally was something that most investors avoided. Today, just about every investor recognizes the importance of having international investments within a portfolio. However, just as it is important to diversify among the domestic side of a portfolio, the same thing can be said about the international side of your portfolio merely invested in traditional western countries. You need to be more diversified and that includes adding an emerging market fund into the mix.

One last note and this applies not only to emerging market funds but, in fact, to all investments. When you decide to purchase an emerging market fund, don't get caught up simply on what the performance was in 2009. Take a longer term approach. Generally, when I do my research, I discount one year's performance and I focus mostly on three-, five- and 10-year numbers. I find by looking at longer term track records, it gives me a better understanding of the investment.

Good luck!

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Chili champs help soldiers in Kosovo win cookoff

BY KAREN SMITH
STAFF WRITER

Gary and Lauren Ray cooked up some Super Bowl fun for U.S. troops in Kosovo last weekend.

The Livonia couple, who have won chili cookoffs around the country, mailed a recipe and the fixings for red chili to a team of soldiers serving in the southeast European nation so they could compete in a cookoff there Super Bowl Sunday.

Not only did the team they sponsored win, beating out about eight other teams, they received a thank you e-mail.

"It brought tears to my eyes," said Gary Ray, 57. "At first I was a little apprehensive. I didn't know if it was going to give them that much pleasure."

The team, composed of soldiers from North Dakota, won over teams of troops from all over the United States, including one with a soldier from New Mexico whose wife sent some additional ingredients for his chili.

In an e-mail to the Rays, Capt. Dan "Murph" Murphy said the soldier from New Mexico "was really talking smack" before the competition. "You can almost hear what he was saying ... A bunch of guys from North Dakota, what do



Lauren and Gary Ray of Livonia compete in chili cookoffs around the country, including the Great Lakes Regional Chili Cookoff in Plymouth. Lauren won the world championship for green chili in 2008.

you know about chili? We had the last laugh."

The Rays are regular contestants in the annual Great Lakes Regional Chili Cookoff in Plymouth.

Lauren Ray, 56, said she was proud to contribute to the contest, co-sponsored by the International Chili Society and Soldiers' Angels, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing aid and comfort to men and women of the U.S. armed forces.

"We felt like we were really doing

something to boost their spirits," Lauren Ray said.

The couple learned of the contest for soldiers through the International Chili Society, the organization in which they compete and in which Lauren Ray won the world championship for green chili in 2008.

"We decided we just had to be a part of it," Lauren Ray said.

The couple boxed up seven aprons, some trophies, all the canned goods the team would need and a bag of red spices and a recipe specially prepared by Gary, who's won several first-place trophies for his red chili.

"We didn't know what kind of meat they were going to use," Lauren Ray said. "He just kind of made up a recipe based on a lot of the recipes he's used in the past."

Murphy wrote in his e-mail that everyone loved the chili so much, they almost didn't have enough for the judges to taste. "Everyone kept coming to us ahead of judging wanting samples."

He said the troops appreciated the Rays' generosity: "You brought a great night to a bunch of soldiers serving far from home."

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AAUW show for youngsters marks milestone

BY JULIE BROWN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Her Scarecrow costume still on, Sharon Belobraidich of Plymouth Township was taking a break Saturday between performances of *The Wizard of Oz*.

This is the 50th year the Plymouth-Canton branch, American Association of University Women, has presented a live play for local children. "This is 39," retired Plymouth-Canton elementary teacher Belobraidich said of her involvement. "Next year's 40."

The play is now done at Garden City High School, with recent performances Feb. 4-6. The women did Thursday and Friday evening shows and two on Saturday.

Belobraidich recalled starting out with helping on music for five years. In 1976, she went on stage as the Scarecrow in an earlier *The Wizard of Oz*. The women rotate shows so that children ages 4-10 get a variety while they're young.

"Oh, because it's such fun," she said of her involvement. "It gets rid of January and February."

Mickey Edell and Jan Blumberg of Canton were co-directors of this year's production. Edell is a speech and language pathologist at Hoben Elementary in Canton, Blumberg is principal at Henry Ruff Elementary in the Garden City district.

Edell, a past state president of AAUW, has been in the group 21 years, in the play all that time "either as an actor or as a director. Everybody in the branch loves to deliver live drama to children. The audience response is so positive and so embracing. We've been extremely well-received in this community."

The children's show has Plymouth roots and moved to Garden City some 10 years ago for accommodations. "It's a remarkable experience to watch these beautiful, talented ladies," Blumberg said. "I stand back in awe. It's such an honor to be part of this group."

The cast, still in their costumes at the cast lunch, returned the accolades between the morning and



Sharon Belobraidich (back, center) played the evil stepmother in an AAUW production of 'Cinderella' a couple of years ago along with Tricia Carney (front center) as Cinderella, while Mary Rogers was the Fairy Godmother, Susan Iannucci an ugly stepsister and Diane Wilcox a mouse.

afternoon shows. They presented framed posters for the show to Edell and Blumberg, autographed by the cast.

"It will look beautiful in Blum's Landing," an emotional Jan Blumberg said. She and husband Terry lost their son, Army Sgt. Trevor Blumberg, killed serving his country in Fallujah, Iraq, Sept. 14, 2003.

The Blumbergs are building Blum's Landing in northern Michigan in their son's memory and honor. It's a bed and breakfast retreat for servicemen and women who will stay free of charge and enjoy nature. Information's online at www.blumslanding.org and donations welcome to Blum's Landing, P.O. Box 871292, Canton, MI 48187.

The AAUW women donated to Blum's Landing in Jan's honor for the play. For Mickey Edell, the women donated to Pennies for Peace, an organization founded by activist-author Greg Mortenson who builds schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Mortenson has taken a special interest in education of girls and women, also an interest of AAUW. His organization is online at www.penniesforpeace.org, by mail at P.O. Box 7209, Bozeman, MT 59771.

"I'm in awe and I thank you from the bottom of my heart," Jan Blumberg said of the

gift for her son. The women were also pleased to reach the 50-year milestone for the

children's play.

They have seven-eight plays in the rotation. "Next year, we're doing *Alice in Wonderland*," Edell said. The plays are for children ages 4-10 "and the very young at heart."

Adult response is also positive, with some non-racy adult humor thrown in the dialogue. There was a joke about MEAP test results and another about men not listening.

"The adults respond to that humor," Edell said. The women had some laughs at a postshow get-together at the Box Bar in downtown Plymouth. They were mistaken for the professional cast of a *Wizard of Oz* production at the Fisher Theatre.

"We hope to see it continue for another 50 years," she added. "They certainly had vision." Retired Plymouth-Canton schools administrator Mary Fritz of Plymouth, who winters in Florida, was involved with the early shows, as was former colleague Shirley Spaniel.

The cast is important, but

so are the many women and husbands who help behind the scenes, with everything from ticket sales and scenery to costumes and the cast lunch.

"They just believed in drama and acting," Blumberg said. The play emerged from an early AAUW interest group.

Belobraidich also teaches drama at the Plymouth Community Arts Council and had some of her students in the audience. Many of the women are local educators and their students come to see them on stage.

Belobraidich recalled seeing *The Diary of Anne Frank* at 17.

"I was so stricken by that." Both of her children were in drama in high school, and grew up seeing shows.

"It's like eating vegetables that are different texture," she said. Belobraidich, retired nine years, continues to teach drama and piano and is glad she can offer the annual play to local children.

"Here's to 50 more years," Edell said during the cast lunch, speaking for many.



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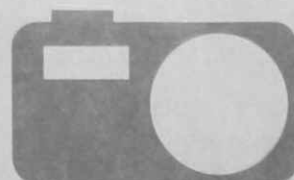
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SOUK'S ON!

New Plymouth coach eager to put
his stamp on cage program

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Mike Soukup paces along the sidelines in front of his Plymouth boys basketball team. He crouches. He waves emphatically to make a point with one of the referees.

He also yells out instructions and encouragement to Plymouth players, sometimes getting raspy in the process.

All of those coaching traits Soukup shares with his former boss at Redford Union, Panthers head coach Brett Steele.

But make no mistake, the new coach for the Wildcats plans on putting his stamp on the Plymouth program — by taking what he learned as an assistant coach to Steele and blending it with his own considerable basketball acumen.

"You want to be a team that you see on the schedule and you know it's going to be a hard-fought, defensive battle," said Soukup, a Redford Thurston basketball alum and Livonia resident. "We want people coming in here to Plymouth and saying 'Oh man, we've got to play those guys? They're going to grind us out.' ... the philosophy of our program is to do things right. We don't have a lot of program rules, just do things right."

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According to Soukup, that approach will help the team win and in turn, put more fans into the gymnasium to cheer on the Wildcats.

Soukup also is adjusting to coaching life at the immense Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, where three high schools vie for attention.

"I've learned on the go, there were some scheduling fiascos,"

said Soukup with a chuckle before a recent practice. "It's nip and tuck for time around here. Other than that, it's typical high school life."

Soukup added that Plymouth parents have been "super supportive" to the new guy in town and that he can't wait to build a premier basketball program before too long.

"It's a little disheartening at times that there's not a bigger crowd out here," said Soukup, before a recent practice. "I don't know if it's the fact that kids attend classes at the other schools (Canton and Salem). I don't know if they really have a home school identity."

"When I went to Thurston I attended Thurston and that was it. I was a Thurston High School guy. ... I hope as our program builds and has a reputation of being a good ticket on a Tuesday or Friday night that those crowds would come."

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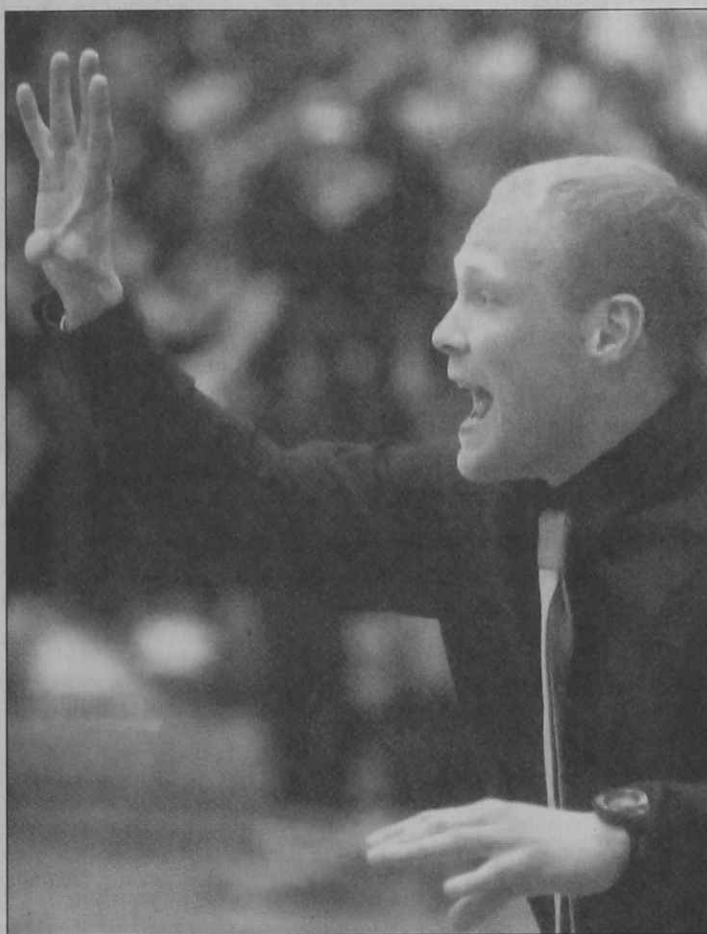
Soukup left RU with the blessing of Steele, who encouraged him to apply.

"Obviously I am very happy to see Mike get his opportunity to run his own program after being my assistant for several years," Steele said. "He is already a really good coach and he was ready to lead his own program."

Steele emphasized that Soukup has what it takes to build a very competitive program and has no qualms about putting in 24/7 effort throughout the year to get the job done.

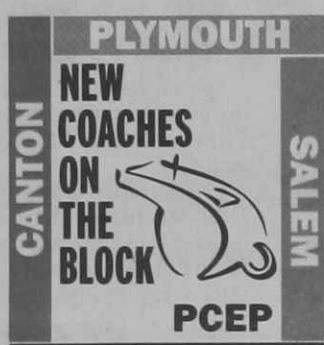
"It takes a special passion for the game and for coaching to truly develop a high school program," Steele continued. "Mike has all those qualities."

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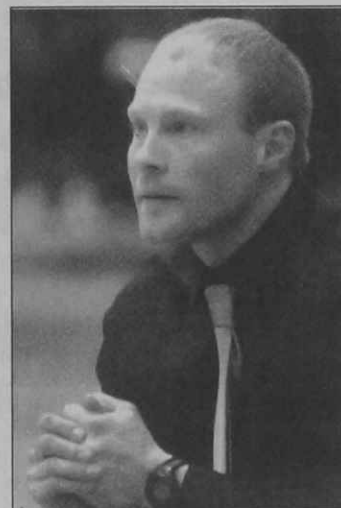
Whether gesturing to communicate with his players or clapping his hands in anticipation, first-year Plymouth boys basketball coach Mike Soukup demonstrates his determination and passion for the sport.



THE ROAD TO PCEP

2001-04: Mike Soukup coached Hilbert Middle School's girls and boys basketball teams for three seasons. In those years, girls basketball was played in the fall season.

2004-07: He moved up to assistant



coach for the Redford Union varsity boys team.

2007-09: Soukup was head JV boys coach at RU during the 2007-08 and 2008-09 seasons.

2009-10: He moved to Plymouth High School, where he now is varsity boys head coach.

Salem joins KLAA fray

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Before Friday night's game, Salem boys basketball head coach Bob Brodie laid things on the line.

Defeat Northville and the Rocks would squeeze into the KLAA Kensington Conference playoffs as the third seed from the Central Division.

The Rocks heeded his pep talk, defeating the visiting Mustangs 67-53 to move to 8-8 overall and 4-6 in the division.

"I told the kids that, 'If you win you're in, you control your own destiny,'" Brodie said after the game. "They went out with a vengeance tonight and played pretty well."

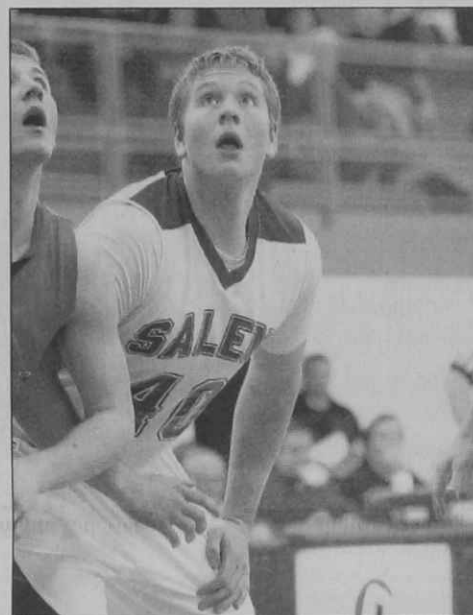
Salem enjoyed a 13-4 run from late in the first quarter into early in the second to build a comfortable lead (20-10).

The Mustangs (6-10, 3-7) chipped away, but could never get closer than five points.

Leading Salem with 20 points was sophomore guard-forward Tyler Stewart, who buried four treys.

"He (Stewart) knows what he's doing," Brodie said. "He recognizes open players, he knows when he gets a shot."

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JOHN KEMSKI

Making his way to the bucket Friday is Salem junior forward Ethan Walsh.

Dominant Chiefs nab another district

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Lately Canton wrestling teams winning districts is a February fact of life.

On Thursday, the host Chiefs captured their sixth consecutive Division 1 district in stunningly easy fashion.

Canton (28-6) routed Salem by a 66-6 score and went on to pound Northville 62-3 in the district final matchup.

"We were pretty dominating," said Canton head coach Cory Mancuso. "We only lost two matches all night, with two of our backup kids that we put out there. It was pretty lopsided."

Northville reached the final by earning a 44-26 triumph over Plymouth.

Mancuso said the districts only are the first step toward the team's ultimate goal — going to Battle Creek to fight for the D1 championship.

"We kind of expect to come in here and win," he said. "I don't know if we thought it was going to be as easy as it was. But still, we expect to win district titles."

Next up for the Chiefs as a unit are Wednesday's team regionals, also host-

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CORY MANCUSO, Canton wrestling coach

ed at Canton High School. Individual districts were Saturday at Plymouth.

"Now we have to beat Catholic Central next Wednesday," said Mancuso, perhaps getting a little ahead of himself.

Canton will first battle Dearborn Fordson (10-17) in the regionals, slated to begin at 5 p.m.

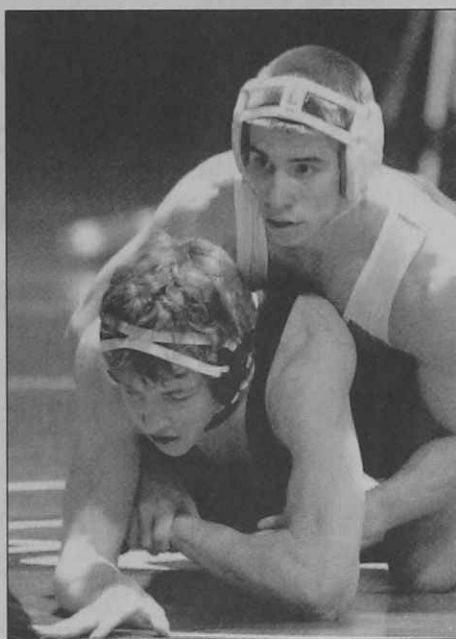
A victory there likely would pit the Chiefs against the always-tough Shamrocks, who defeated Canton 55-18 earlier this season.

Novi-Detroit Catholic Central faces Livonia Franklin in the other regional first-round matchup.

"That's going to be a tough one," said Mancuso about CC.

The coach and senior stalwarts Donnie Watkins and Brent Winekoff all said the Chiefs expect to be much

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JOHN KEMSKI

Canton senior Brent Winekoff (right) goes to work against his opponent in Thursday's Division 1 team wrestling districts.



Captain's CORNER

Who: Pat Smiatacz, senior co-captain, Plymouth boys hockey team.

Miscellany: The 18-year-old Smiatacz carries a 2.8 grade-point average. His parents are David and Marilyn. He is in his second season with the Wildcats. He played on the 2008 Hockey Night in Boston National Sophomore and Midwest Midget Major Team and began playing travel hockey at age 6. He was All-State, All-KLAA and All-Observer lacrosse attackman in 2009.

Captain's job: "The job of a captain is to be a leader on and off the ice, to lead by example, working hard in practice, supporting my teammates, coaches

PAT SMIATACZ



and putting the team before me."

Leadership style: "My style of leadership is a mixture of being vocal and leading by example. I support and protect my teammates and make sure I show up in the big games."

Why him?: My teammates chose me because I lead through my actions; specifically, I put in 100 percent effort on and off the ice and never miss a team event."



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COACH

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Soukup's move to Plymouth turned out to be a natural step at this point of his career.

"He (Steele) always said the same thing and looking back on it, he was right," Soukup continued. "If I was still assisting him, as much as he liked that and as much as it would be good for his program it wouldn't be good for me."

"I'd be stunting my development as a coach if I wasn't out there looking for new challenges, new opportunities."

That kind of motivated person is who Soukup recruited for his new Plymouth staff.

"I want guys who want to be varsity coaches one day," he said, "guys who aspire to be varsity coaches."

Besides being a competitive guy who obviously wants his team to win, Soukup loves the teaching aspect of the job — being able to help the young men on his roster both as players and people.

After all, he is a teacher (in the Northville district).

SOUKUP FILE

Who: Mike Soukup, first-year varsity boys basketball coach at Plymouth High School.

Misc: The 33-year-old graduated in 1994 from Redford Thurston, where he was a three-year varsity starter. He comes over from Redford Union, where he was on the coaching staff since 2004.

College: Soukup owns a bachelor of science degree in physical education and health and a master's in athletic administration. Both degrees are from Wayne State University.

Personal: Mike lives in Livonia with wife Amy. They were married last summer. He teaches in the Northville district.

"My teaching background helps with that immensely," he stressed. "I deal with young people every single, solitary day."

Soukup is thrilled with his first Plymouth team, sparked by 6-5 junior forward Brennen Beyer and junior shooting

guard Mike Nadratowski.

"They understand how hard you have to bring it night in and night out," Soukup said.

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But although those two players will return next winter, Soukup won't be able to further coach current seniors Aaron Thompson and Dion Johnson.

"What will sadden me when this season is over is that I'll only get to coach those guys for one year," Soukup said, quietly. "How much better could I have made them with a two-year stint on varsity?"

Of course, that kind of scenario happens to every first-year coach. Somebody has to leave every year in high school athletics.

"Once you start developing relationships and ties with those guys you think, 'If I only had them for one more year,'" Soukup said. "But everything's about timing in life."

The time's definitely right for the promising Soukup-Plymouth connection.

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Siena inks Salem alum Shull

The Siena Heights Women's Soccer team recently announced the signing of Salem alum Katie Shull, who comes to Saints following two years at Schoolcraft College.

At Schoolcraft, Schull went to two national championship tournaments and was one of the leading goal scorers on the team.

Shull has also been on the Dean's list every semester at Schoolcraft and takes part in Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society — an organization built off community service and good academic performance. At Salem High School, she was the leading goal scorer and was named as an All-Conference selection her senior season.

She also has an excellent history in club soccer. Throughout her club years she played for the Michigan Hawks coached by Tim



Katie Shull

Ernst and for Livonia United coached by Rick Larson. Together she won four state championships and was a state finalist two other times. Shull also played for Michigan Olympic Development Program.

"I am so grateful for the opportunity to continue playing soccer at Siena

'Siena Heights is the perfect fit for me and I'm excited for what my future holds there.'

KATIE SHULL, Salem alum

Heights," Shull said. "Siena Heights is the perfect fit for me and I'm excited for what my future holds there."

Siena Heights Head Coach Scott Oliver added that Schull has the perfect "pedigree and attitude we look for in our players."

"Throughout her career there has never been a point that she has not been successful and not been a good teammate," Oliver said. "She will make an immediate impact on our program and help us continue our winning tradition on and off the field."

WRESTLING

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tougher if they again go up against CC.

A key factor is how strong Canton battled CC wrestlers at the Jan. 30 Observerland Invitational.

The Shamrocks and Chiefs finished 1-2 at that tournament.

"I think the first time we wrestled them they beat us pretty good," Mancuso said. "But after wrestling them (at Observerland) I think we closed the gap a little bit. We beat a lot of their guys heads up."

Watkins said he and his Canton teammates plan on hanging in against the Shamrocks at regionals.

"It will be tough, I just have to show up and wrestle hard," he noted. "But we could."

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Salem wrestling fundraiser

Salem High School Wrestling Boosters invites everyone to their fundraiser at Buffalo Wild Wings at 41980 Ford Road in Canton on Monday, Feb. 15.

Flyers can be obtained at www.wrestling.salemrock.com. A flyer must be presented at time of order in order for the club to receive a percentage of the proceeds from that day. Please come and enjoy a great meal and help the wrestling program.

Saberettes Kids Clinic

The Plymouth Saberettes are holding a Kids Pompon Clinic from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., March 20, at the Plymouth High School cafeteria. The clinic is open to children ages 5-14.

Pre-registration is now open on the www.pompons.plymouthwilcats.com Web site. You may also contact Saberette parents Lisa Krahel at lisalynn1509@aol.com or Lori Schroeder at [ily@aol.com.](http://weearefam-</p>
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Cost is \$40 per child and includes a T-shirt, poms and a snack. Discounts are available for additional siblings. Parents are invited to come see their daughters perform at noon on the day of the clinic. All girls attending the clinic will be invited to perform at the Plymouth Variety Show in April.

Pre-registration participants should arrive between 8:45-9:00 a.m. Same day registration is also available at 8:30 a.m., but enrollment is limited to the first 100 participants.

Hoop Shoot competition

The Canton Sports Center is inviting you to show off your basketball skills in the MRPA Hoop Shoot Skills Competition and the Three-on-Three Tournament.

Both events will take place on Saturday, Feb. 20 in the Summit Gymnasium, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

The free Hoop Shoot Competition gives boys and girls ages 8-15 the chance to show off their shooting abilities. Each contestant has 60 seconds to score as many points from various locations on the court.

Check-in for the event will start at 8:30 a.m., with the event scheduled to start at 9 a.m. Players may either pre-register or register on-site, but all players must present a valid birth certificate for age verification.

The Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament is arranged by boy and girl divisions for grades 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8. All teams are guaranteed two games and prizes will be awarded to the winner and

runner-up in each division.

The cost is \$52 per team, which can have up to four players, and the first games will start at approximately 10 a.m. The registration deadline is 9:30 a.m. on February 20, so teams are encouraged to pre-register.

For more information on the MRPA Hoop Shoot and the Three-on-Three Tournaments or to register for the events, call the Canton Sports Center at (734) 483-5600 or visit <http://csc.canton-mi.org>.

Plymouth Y programs

Several spring offerings are being served up by the Plymouth Family YMCA, including:

- Registration is ongoing for instructional clinics. The focus of these programs will be on fun, exercise and social interaction through sports instruction.

Clinics include: Preschool Soccer for ages 3-5; Preschool Basketball for ages 4-5; and Youth Basketball for ages 6-7. The programs run the weeks of March 17-April 28.

All classes are held in local schools during the week.

- Speed and Agility Training, a class to focus on improving your speed (stride length and frequency, starting and stopping ability, sprint form and technique) and agility (the ability to explosively brake, change direction, and accelerate again). Rarely in team sports do you run in a straight line at a fixed pace for a fixed length of time.

The class will improve movements in any direction at any sport, improve foot speed and increase strength and power.

Participants will learn new

techniques through drills and play games to put learned skills into use. The class will be taught by an NCAA Division I athlete with a degree in Exercise Science.

- Registrations are being accepted for the Spring Co-Ed Soccer League and Girls' Volleyball League.

Both seasons run from April 19-June 12. There will be one practice and one game each week. The cost is \$71 for program members or \$103 for community members. All participants need a YMCA Youth Sports Reversible Jersey (\$15).

The signup deadline is April 1. Coaches also are welcome.

- For all programs, contact the Plymouth Family YMCA at (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymcadeloit.org.

Are you a Bad Bowler?

Super Bowl on Ford Road in Canton might be your place if you are. The facility is hosting a 12-week "Bad Bowlers Club" at 8 p.m. Thursdays through March. The program is for beginning or low-average bowlers.

Teams of four (any combination of men and women) may participate in a pressure-free environment. The cost is \$9.95 per person per week. Call (734) 459-6070 for more information.

Football inductees

Longtime Detroit Catholic Central assistant coach Rick Coratti and former Wayne Memorial standout Al Slamer (Holt) will be among those honored at the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame induction and banquet Saturday, March 27, at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in Ann Arbor.

Doors open at 5:45 p.m., with the social hour at 6 p.m. Dinner is at 7 p.m., followed by induction ceremonies at 8 p.m.

Guest speaker will be University of Michigan head coach Rich Rodriguez.

To obtain tickets, call Gandalf Church at (269) 963-0865. For more information, call Larry Merx at (845) 837-9438; or e-mail lmerx@max-preps.com.

Lacrosse coach wanted

Applications are being taken by the city of Plymouth Recreation Department for a boys seventh- and eighth-grade lacrosse coach. Lacrosse experience as a player or coach is preferred, but not mandatory. Contact recreation director Steve Anderson at (734) 455-6620, ext. 302, or e-mail him at sanderson@ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Coaches, please call

Coaches of high school teams for the winter season are reminded to send in results to Tim Smith, Plymouth-Canton sports editor, in order to spotlight the achievements of local student-athletes. Call (313) 222-2637 or e-mail him at tsmith@hometownlife.com.

Please provide as much detail as possible as well as your team's current record. Deadlines are 11 p.m. both Tuesday nights for the Thursday edition and Friday evenings for Sunday's paper.

Football tutorials

Popps QB Tutor will offer instruction for quarterbacks and wide receivers from 2-3 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 21, 28; March 7 and 14 (Session VII), at Center Court, located at 7171 N. Haggerty, Canton.

The cost is \$150 per session. Sessions are limited to 16 quarterbacks and 16 receiver. Walk-ins, when space available, are \$35 per date.

For more information, e-mail Richard Popp at: teqb-tutor@yahoo.com.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF HEARING
ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:

Hearings are by appointment, please call 354-3269, between 8 am and 4:30 pm for an appointment.

Tues, March 2	9 am - Noon 2 pm - 5 pm	Organizational Meeting Hearings by Appointment
Mon, March 8	2 pm - 5 pm 6 pm - 9 pm	Hearings by Appointment Hearings by Appointment
Wed, March 10	9 am - Noon 2 pm - 5 pm	Hearings by Appointment Hearings by Appointment
Sat, March 13	9 am - 11 am	First Come - First Served

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required. Written protests to the Board of Review must be received by mail or delivered in person to the Assessing office by the close of business on Friday, March 19, 2010 at 4:30 pm.

The Board of Review will be held in the Board Meeting Room of Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Please come prepared as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board of Review will be strictly adhered to.

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PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BROWNFIELD PLAN
OF THE PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP BROWNFIELD
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, the 23rd day of February, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time in the Township Hall located at 9955 N Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan, to consider the adoption of a resolution approving the Brownfield Plan for the Plymouth Township Brownfield Redevelopment Authority pursuant to Act 381 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1996, as amended.

The property to which the proposed Brownfield Plan applies is the property located at Five Mile and Ridge Road, including the former Western Wayne Correctional Facility site, in Plymouth Township.

Maps, plats and copies of the proposed Brownfield Plan are on file at the office of the Township Clerk for inspection during regular business hours.

At the public hearing, all interested persons desiring to address the Township Board shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the approval of the Brownfield Plan for the Plymouth Township Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. All aspects of the Brownfield Plan will be open for discussion at the public hearing.

FURTHER INFORMATION may be obtained from the Township Clerk.

This notice is given by order of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth, Michigan.

Joe Bridgman, CMC
Township Clerk

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SALEM

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"He doesn't shoot too many forced shots out there. And he's only a sophomore."

When Stewart's outside jumpers didn't fall, the Rocks had 6-6 center Jake Peterson (18 points, seven rebounds) and 6-2 junior center Ethan Walsh (12 points, 10 boards) there to produce second-chance buckets.

Perhaps the biggest moment of the game came at the end of the first half.

Northville's Andrew Baldwin (28 points) hit a trey with just three seconds to go, cutting Salem's lead to 26-21.

Not content going into the locker room on that note, Stewart launched a triple try from the right flank that swished through as the horn sounded.

In the third quarter, he sank two more. On both occasions he looked for a teammate to pass to, but shot the ball when nobody could get open.

"I look for the pick and roll and it wasn't there," Stewart said. "So I took the shot and made it."

"It was pretty key, we got into the tournament. If we lost I don't think we would've got in."

Brodie said his team's offense "took them out of sync, defensively. They weren't sure how to handle some of our offensive sets."

Canton co-champs

A strong first quarter Friday set the tone as host Canton rolled past Westland John Glenn, 57-45, in a KLAA South boys basketball tilt.

With victories by the Chiefs and Wayne Memorial (against Livonia Franklin), Canton and the Zebras finished 8-2 in the division to earn a share of the title. Canton is 11-5 overall.

"The kids did a great job buying into what we're trying to do and got through a tough South Division with eight wins," first-year head coach Jimmy Reddy said. "And that got them a championship."

Dietrich Lever led the Chiefs with 19 points along with seven rebounds and eight assists. Kevin Weisz (14 points, six boards) and Paul Baumgart (nine points, six boards) also had excellent nights.

Brett Hudry scored 14 for John Glenn (4-12, 3-6).

Plymouth prevails

It was an ugly win, but Plymouth head coach Mike Soukup will gladly take it. The Wildcats held off host Livonia Churchill 41-38 in Friday's KLAA South tilt.

Pat Salo led Plymouth (9-7, 6-4) with 14 points, while Brennen Beyer (eight points) and Mike Nadratowski (seven points) were productive.

The Wildcats enter this week's KLAA Western Conference playoffs in third place and will play the second seed of the South Division.

"We made some free throws and hung on with a defensive stop at the end," Soukup said.

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Good sign
Salem's Austin Root had plenty of folks on hand to bask in his big day Feb. 3, signing to play football at Ferris State University. In the front row from left are Grant Elias (stepfather) Lisa Elias (mom), Austin Root, Larry Root (father). In the back row from left are Patrick Ignagni (Salem defensive coordinator), Kevin Biga (linebackers coach), Tom Willette (athletic director) and Salem head football coach Kurt Britnell.

Division champ Chiefs stay perfect

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Make it a Perfect 10.

Canton's varsity girls basketball team routed host Westland John Glenn 61-22 on Friday night to move to 15-1 overall and 10-0 in the KLAA South Division, which they clinched Tuesday against Livonia Franklin.

"We finished 10-0 in the division, just a solid job by the girls," said Chiefs head coach Brian Samulski. "Now we'll take that and go into the (KLAA Kensington) conference tournament and see what we can do there."

The Chiefs jumpstarted their latest win with a 16-2 run in the first quarter and the Rockets were out of fuel before even leaving the launching pad.

It was 33-10 at halftime and 51-15 after three frames, with pressure defense and opportunistic offense putting the Rockets (5-11, 4-6) in a tough spot.

Kari Schmitt led Canton with 22 points, along with six rebounds, five steals and three blocks. Also solid again was Sara Schmitt, contributing 11 points, six boards and six steals.

Other Canton contributors

included CarolAnn Sexauer (9 points), Kayla Bridges (8 points) and Alyssa Cottrell (6 points). Andrea Gordon-McClain scored five points for John Glenn.

Rocks hang on

Visiting Salem made clutch free throws down the stretch and Northville missed a would-be tying layup at the end of regulation, enabling the Rocks to earn a 44-42 KLAA Central girls basketball victory.

"They missed a wide open layup with no time on the clock," said Salem head coach Fred Thomann. "That would have really hurt us."

As it was, Salem improved to 11-5 overall and 8-2 in the Central (good for second place entering the KLAA Kensington playoffs).

Sara Stone (8 points, 10 rebounds) made a field goal to break a tie late in the fourth quarter, and the Rocks then stayed ahead thanks to free throws by Alyssa Garbarino and Heidi Schmidt (5 points).

Rachel Norman led Salem with 13 points, while Brett deBear registered 10 points. Also helping out with five points was Tabitha Mann.

'Cats work OT

Plymouth made Senior Night a good one Friday, winning 46-40 over visiting Livonia Churchill. Honored were seniors Stacey Klonowski, Danielle Desilets, Lejla Kulagic and injured point guard Troi Davis.

The Plymouth seniors who were able to play did their part, particularly Klonowski (12 points) and Desilets (6 points). Registering 16 points to lead the Wildcats was junior Alex Roberts while sophomore Katelyn Watson chipped in with 10.

The victory lifted Plymouth's record to 6-10 overall and 5-5 in the KLAA South, earning a third seed for Tuesday's playoff opener.

PCA victorious

Sophomore forward Kristin Malcolm scored 14 points and Brooke Purcell added 10, sparking host Plymouth Christian Academy to a 44-38 victory Thursday over Lutheran Westland.

The Eagles improved to 8-9 overall and 6-6 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division.

PREP BOWLING RESULTS

BOYS DUAL MATCH RESULTS
NOVI 24.5
PLYMOUTH 5.5
Feb. 11 at Westland Bowl
Novi scorers: Andrew Thorwall, 214-178-392; Nick Kuczejda, 180-173-353; Steve Cullen, 172-180-352; Ben Van Zoest, 172.5-174-346.5. **Team totals:** 904-870-1,774 (16.5 points); **Baker games:** 138-197-335 (6 points).
Plymouth scorers: Andrew Fraser, 200-160-360; Andrew Fraser, 177-167-344; Kyle Webb, 172.5-157-329.5; Rob Korstjens, 151. **Team totals:** 848-740-1,588 (1.5 points); **Baker games:** 161-124-285 (6 points).

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 18.5
SALEM 11.5
Feb. 11 at Westland Bowl
John Glenn scorers: Derrick Ammons, 223-183-406; Tommy Ruark, 201-192-393; Kyle Hamlin, 195-187-385; Chris Harper, 209-172-381; John Cleavenger, 168; split score, 164. **Team totals:** 999-898-1,897 (14.5 points); **Baker games:** 215-192-407 (4 points).
Salem scorers: Ryan Clark, 225-239-454; Shawn Schmidt, 234-145-379; David Nikkila, 179-192-371; split score, 257-140-379. **Team totals:** 974-896-1,870 (5.5 points); **Baker games:** 212-203-415 (6 points).
Dual match records: John Glenn, 11-2 overall, 8-1 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 10-3 overall, 8-1 KLAA Central.

GIRLS DUAL MATCH RESULTS
PLYMOUTH 24
NOVI 6
Feb. 11 at Westland Bowl
Plymouth scorers: Mackenzie Carlson, 113-214-327; Amanda Martin, 160-161-321; Kristyn Sturtz, 147-171-318; Tiffani Patterson, 124-133-257; Allyson Gibbs, 135. **Team totals:** 679-780-1,454 (18 points); **Baker games:** 121-161-282 (6 points).
Novi scorers: Callie Wright, 127-154-281; Britny Affholter, 145-133-278; Shelby Limpert, 106-129-235; K. Mahosh, 93-95, 188; **Baker games:** 130-137-267 (4 points).

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 16
SALEM 4
Feb. 11 at Westland Bowl
John Glenn scorers: Alysson Kassab, 154-187-340; Khiry Sparks, 154-155-309; Juliann Ayers, 165-142-307; Natalie Brown, 140; Megan Redmond, 134; split score, 93. **Team totals:** 660-743-1,403 (10 points); **Baker games:** 153-144-297 (6 points).
Salem scorers: Rachel Amodio, 143-177-320; Ashley Kretschner, 159-143-302; Kristin Larkins, 152-146-298; Kristin Peltz, 121-128-249; Emily Simmons, 85-149-234. **Team totals:** 660-743-1,403 (10 points); **Baker games:** 125-150-275 (4 points).
Dual match records: John Glenn, 10-3 overall, 9-1 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 4-8-1 overall, 2-7 KLAA Central.

MU, Schoolcraft men cagers fall

Leroy Allen's 23 points and 14 rebounds were not enough Wednesday as host Indiana Tech earned an 82-74 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference men's basketball victory over Madonna University.

Westland's Bryant Slaughter added 21 points for the Crusaders, who fall to 5-21 overall and 2-9 in the WHAC.

Freshman Kevin Henry, the team's top scorer, dished out seven assists, but had only two points going 0-of-8 from the floor.

MU lost despite hitting 51.9 percent from the field (28-of-54), including 8-of-16 from three-point range.

Shaun Cabrera, hitting 12-of-16 free throws, paced the victorious Warriors (10-16, 4-7) with a game-high 28 points. He also had seven assists.

John Roche and Anthony Johnson chipped in with 13 and 11 points, respectively.

DELTA CC 104, SCHOOLCRAFT 69: Brice Powell popped in 21 points Thursday as host Delta Community College (14-12, 6-7) rolled to an MCCA Eastern Conference triumph over Schoolcraft College (3-19, 1-11).

The Pioneers, who jumped out to a 61-30 halftime lead, also got 20 points and seven rebounds from Jacob Boileau, along with 18 points and 12 boards from Winthrop Thomas.

The Ocelots, who dropped their fifth straight, got 19 points and six rebounds from freshman center Aaron Felsner.

Aaron Nelson added 16 points and six rebounds, while Ron Pummill (Garden City) and Trevor Zacny each contributed 10 points.



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Canton icers rally, win in OT over DCD

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Detroit Country Day found out first-hand about he never-quit Canton varsity boys hockey team.

The Chiefs scored three goals in the final 10 minutes of the third period Friday to force overtime and then won 6-5 on senior defenseman Alec Gilo's goal.

Also coming up big was junior forward Jordan Smith, who scored three goals as Canton finished the regular season 11-10-1 — heading into the KLAAs playoffs on a high note.

"It was a good thing going into the playoffs to battle back, being down 3-0 with 10 minutes to go," said Canton head coach Jeremy Majszak. "A lot of people might have packed up and left. ... We don't give up."

It was 2-1 Yellowjackets after one frame and 4-2 after two, despite the Chiefs keeping the offensive heat on the Country Day goalie (who faced 46 shots).

Country Day padded the lead to 5-2 early in the third, but that's when the Chiefs started chipping away.

Making it 5-3 was Smith and the Chiefs sliced the margin to 5-4 with about three minutes left.

With Canton goalie Spencer Craig (19 saves) pulled for an extra attacker in the final minute, senior defenseman Kyle Korte went top-shelf from the circle to make it 5-5.

Korte hammered in the rebound of a Smith shot. Junior D-man Jimmy LaFontaine's point shot started the sequence.

Gilo's winner came on a low, hard shot from inside the blue line that bounced in off a skate.

Canton's other goal was scored by senior forward Riley Hoernschmeyer. Assisting on three goals was junior forward Garrett Bryden.

"We ended the (regular) season above .500, which was one of our goals," Majszak added.

Meanwhile, Salem went 2-0 at the prestigious MIHL Showcase in Taylor, including a 4-2 win Friday over Farmington.

Plymouth dropped a 4-2 game to state-ranked Flint Powers at the same event.

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CANTON GYMNASTICS INVITATIONAL

Feb. 6 at Canton H.S.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Grand Ledge, 148.45; 2. Troy Athens, 147.35; 3. Farmington, 146.2; 4. Canton, 142.525; 12. Salem, 131.05; 17. Plymouth, 128.45.

DIVISION 1

ALL-AROUND

1. Alexis Byington (Grand Ledge), 38.750; 2. Ashley Moskal (Troy Athens), 38.125; 3. Alyssa Bresso (Farmington), 37.300; 4. Emily Quint (Livonia Blue), 36.675; 7. Robyn Piowar (Canton), 36.100; 8. Kristen McKelvy (Farmington), 35.975; 9. Allison Kemp (Northville), 35.750; 10. Kaitlyn Mortan (Troy Athens), 35.675; 12. Mackenna Pohl (Northville), 35.650; 13. Cassidy Winter (Northville), 35.025; 14. Katie Kretschmer (Livonia Red), 34.975; 15. Madison Cusick (Brighton), 34.900; 16. Alex Fidler (Canton), 27.350; 17. Taylor Dempsey (Northville), 25.150; 18. Kyoko Yamamoto (Farmington), 18.200.

VAULT

1. Byington (Grand Ledge), 9.750; 2. Quint (Livonia Blue), 9.600; 3. Moskal (Troy Athens), 9.550; 4. Bresso (Farmington), 9.500; 5. (tie) Piowar (Canton), 9.250; Kemp (Northville), 9.250; 7. Hannah Grow (Forest Hills), 9.200; 8. Kallie Strazbas (Portage), 9.150; 9. (tie) Taylor Spitz (Freeland), Winter (Northville), 9.100; 11. (tie) McKelvy (Farmington), Pohl (Northville), 9.000; 13. Kretschmer (Livonia Red), 8.950; 14. Mortan (Troy Athens), 8.850; 15. Cusick (Brighton), 8.450.

UNEVEN BARS

1. Byington (Grand Ledge), 9.650; 2. Grow (Forest Hills), 9.450; 3. Cusick (Brighton), 9.400; 4. Moskal (Troy Athens), 9.350; 5. Yamamoto (Farmington), 9.175; 6. Bresso (Farmington), 9.150; 7. (tie) Spitz (Freeland), McKelvy (Farmington), 9.100; 9. (tie) Quint (Livonia Blue), Kemp (Northville), Strazbas (Portage), 9.050; 12. Piowar (Canton), 8.800; 13. Mortan (Troy Athens), 8.750; 14. (tie) Winter (Northville), Fidler (Canton), 8.700; 16. Pohl (Northville), 8.650; 17. Kretschmer (Livonia Red), 8.600; 18. Dempsey (Northville), 8.300.

BALANCE BEAM

1. Byington (Grand Ledge), 9.625; 2. Moskal (Troy Athens), 9.600; 3. Quint (Livonia Blue), 9.500; 4. (tie) Spitz (Freeland), Fidler (Canton), 9.350; 6. Kretschmer (Livonia Red), 9.225; 7. Bresso (Farmington), 9.150; 8. Yamamoto (Farmington), 9.025; 9. Strazbas (Portage), 9.000; 10. Mortan (Troy Athens), 8.950; 11. McKelvy (Farmington), 8.800; 12. (tie) Piowar (Canton), Pohl (Northville), 8.675; 14. Dempsey (Northville), 8.600; 15. Grow (Forest Hills), 8.525; 16. Winter (Northville), 8.400; 17. Kemp (Northville), 8.250; 18. Cusick (Brighton), 8.000.

FLOOR EXERCISE

1. Byington (Grand Ledge), 9.725; 2. Moskal (Troy Athens), 9.625; 3. Bresso (Farmington), 9.550; 4. Piowar (Canton), 9.375; 5. Pohl (Northville), 9.325; 6. Fidler (Canton), 9.300; 7. Grow (Forest Hills), 9.225; 8. Kemp (Northville), 9.200; 9. Mortan (Troy Athens), 9.125; 10. McKelvy (Farmington), 9.075; 11. Cusick (Brighton), 9.050; 12. Winter (Northville), 8.825; 13. Spitz (Freeland), 8.800; 14. (tie) Quint (Livonia Blue), Strazbas (Portage), 8.525; 16. Dempsey (Northville), 8.250; 17. Kretschmer (Livonia Red), 8.200.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS RESULTS



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

One of the Canton gymnasts to contribute to the team's fourth place finish at the recent Canton Invitational was freshman Alex Fidler, shown from an earlier dual meet.

(Northville), 8.825; 13. Spitz (Freeland), 8.800; 14. (tie) Quint (Livonia Blue), Strazbas (Portage), 8.525; 16. Dempsey (Northville), 8.250; 17. Kretschmer (Livonia Red), 8.200.

DIVISION 2

ALL-AROUND

1. Brooke Madzia (Troy Athens), 37.350; 4. Jacquelyn Stewart (Troy Athens), 36.200; 5. Samantha Kohl (Farmington), 35.950; 8. Ayna Lewis (Canton), 35.650; 10. Marina Moretti (Brighton), 35.275; 11. Alex Kitz (Livonia Blue), 34.875; 13. Alex Dubach (Brighton), 34.775; 14. Nichole Jacobs (Salem), 34.750.

VAULT

1. Maddie Burman (Grand Ledge), 9.400; 2. Moretti (Brighton), 9.250; 3. Amanda Lumley (Farmington), 9.200; 6. (tie) Brooke Madzia (Troy Athens), Kohl (Farmington), Lewis (Canton), Dubach (Brighton), 9.100; 10. Alex Kitz (Livonia Blue), 9.050; 12. Jacobs (Salem), 9.000; 15. (tie) Kall Pierce (Canton), Lana Scheewind (Farmington), 8.900.

(Farmington), 9.200; 6. (tie) Brooke Madzia (Troy Athens), Kohl (Farmington), Lewis (Canton), Dubach (Brighton), 9.100; 10. Alex Kitz (Livonia Blue), 9.050; 12. Jacobs (Salem), 9.000; 15. (tie) Kall Pierce (Canton), Lana Scheewind (Farmington), 8.900.

UNEVEN BARS

1. Christine Wilson (Grand Ledge), 9.250; 2. Madzia (Troy Athens), 9.150; 4. Stewart (Troy Athens), 9.000; 5. Kohl (Farmington), 8.850; 7. Kitz (Livonia Blue), 8.800; 8. Adelaide Jepperson (Salem), 8.750; 11. (tie) Amanda Pamplius (Howell), Sereen El-Awad (Troy Athens), 8.550.

BALANCE BEAM

1. Stewart (Troy Athens), 9.575; 2. Madzia (Troy Athens), 9.550; 7. Danielle Hoffman (Western), 9.100; 8. Sarah Uhlman (Plymouth), 8.925; 9. (tie) Lewis (Canton), Cassie Morford (Livonia Blue), 8.900; 11. Moretti (Brighton), 8.875; 15. Amy O'Brien (Northville), 8.825.

(Northville), 8.825.

FLOOR EXERCISE

1. Lumley (Farmington), 9.575; 2. Madzia (Troy Athens), 9.550; 5. (tie) Stewart (Troy Athens), Kohl (Farmington), 9.225; 8. Lewis (Canton), 9.150; 9. Jacobs (Salem), 9.075; 10. Dubach (Brighton), 9.025.

DIVISION 2

TOP 15

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Lewis (V) 9.100/7, (UB) 8.500/14, (BB) 8.900/9, (FX) 9.150/8, (AA) 35.650/9; Pierce (V) 8.900/16, (UB) 0.000/73, (BB) 8.700/23, (FX) 8.900/17, (AA) 26.500/50; Mallory Hudak (V) 8.650/29, (UB) 7.650/45, (BB) 0.000/76, (FX) 9.025/11, (AA) 25.325/54; Brittany Granowicz (V) 8.300/52, (UB) 8.150/29, (BB) 0.000/81, (FX) 0.000/76, (AA) 16.450/67.

PLYMOUTH

Uhlman (V) 8.600/33, (UB) 7.700/44, (BB) 8.925/8, (FX) 8.000/53, (AA) 33.225/25; Reagan Engstrom (V) 8.700/26, (UB) 7.550/49, (BB) 8.400/34, (FX) 8.400/38, (AA) 33.050/28; Jessica Luibakka (V) 8.200/56, (UB) 8.000/35, (BB) 7.900/52, (FX) 8.000/61, (AA) 31.900/40; Alisha Punjabi (V) 8.500/40, (UB) 6.750/59, (BB) 6.800/71, (FX) 7.625/69, (AA) 29.475/45.

SALEM

Jacobs (V) 9.000/13, (UB) 8.250/23, (BB) 8.425/33, (FX) 9.075/9, (AA) 34.750/15; Jepperson (V) 8.550/37, (UB) 8.750/8, (BB) 8.725/21, (FX) 8.000/52, (AA) 34.025/21; Kasey Winczkowski (V) 8.150/60, (UB) 7.600/47, (BB) 7.650/63, (FX) 8.500/34, (AA) 31.900/39; Kristina Klusek (V) 8.500/41, (UB) 0.000/79, (BB) 7.250/67, (FX) 8.125/48, (AA) 23.875/59; Erika Boiz (V) 8.100/67, (UB) 0.000/86, (BB) 0.000/83, (FX) 7.750/64, (AA) 15.850/73.

FARMINGTON

Kohl (V) 9.100/7, (UB) 8.850/5, (BB) 8.775/10, (FX) 9.225/6, (AA) 35.950/5; Lumley (V) 9.200/4, (UB) 8.450/19, (BB) 0.000/74, (FX) 9.575/11, (AA) 27.225/48; Schneewind (V) 8.900/17, (UB) 0.000/82, (BB) 0.000/79, (FX) 8.550/31, (AA) 17.450/63.

LIVONIA BLUE

Kitz (V) 9.050/11, (UB) 8.800/7, (BB) 8.325/38, (FX) 8.700/27, (AA) 34.875/13; Katie Bridges (V) 8.450/42, (UB) 8.350/19, (BB) 8.650/26, (FX) 8.800/23, (AA) 34.250/19; Sarah Bridges (V) 8.100/63, (UB) 8.450/15, (BB) 7.675/62, (FX) 8.600/29, (AA) 32.825/31; Cassie Morford (V) 0.000/76, (UB) 8.300/21, (BB) 8.900/10, (FX) 0.000/74, (AA) 17.200/64.

LIVONIA RED

Katina St. Pierre (V) 8.600/30, (UB) 8.350/18, (BB) 8.800/17, (FX) 8.800/22, (AA) 34.550/16; Brittany Swazey (V) 8.600/36, (UB) 0.000/76, (BB) 8.075/44, (FX) 8.375/40, (AA) 25.050/56; Lauren Patla (V) 8.350/47, (UB) 8.100/32, (BB) 0.000/80, (FX) 0.000/75, (AA) 16.450/66; Meghan Lark (V) 0.000/81, (UB) 7.750/43, (BB) 0.000/84, (FX) 7.875/57, (AA) 15.625/74.

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Stained glass church marks 75 years in Westland

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

Every window tells a story at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland.

And today the stained glass, along with scripture and pancakes, will kick off the church's year-long 75th anniversary activities.

"The stained glass windows were dedicated some years ago. They each tell a story from the Bible," said Ruth Esseltine, a member of the church anniversary committee. "They'll (the church) have readings and songs explaining the stained glass."

Worship services at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m., Sunday, Feb. 14, incorporate the theme "Windows of Memories," in the church, 5885 Venoy.

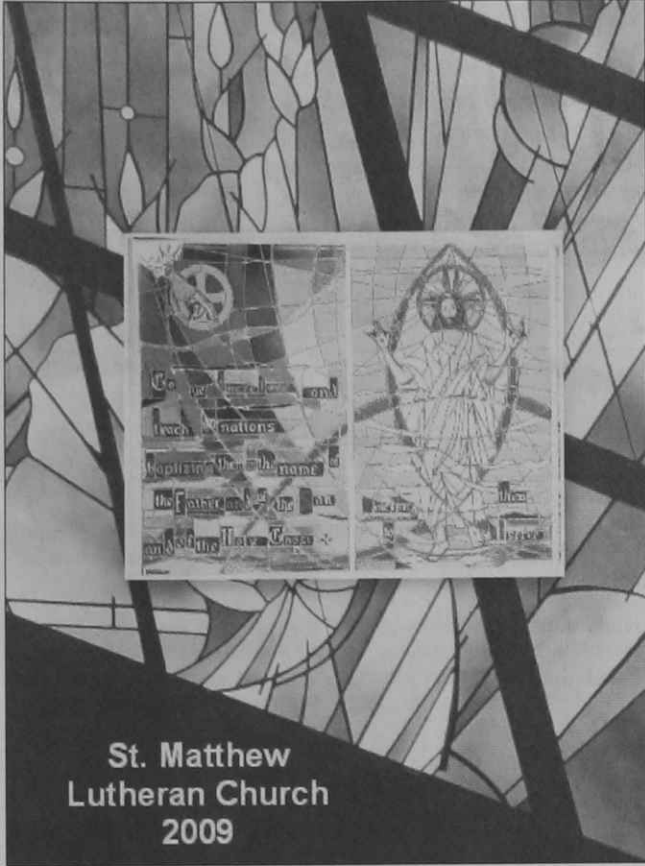
"Between the services, our youth group will hold a pancake breakfast," added Andrea Unger, a congregation member and a teacher at St. Matthew Lutheran School.

Cost for the breakfast is a free will offering. Proceeds will help fund a trip to the National Youth Gathering.

Installation of the stained glass windows figured prominently in the church's 75-year history. When work on the first window, located in the church narthex, began in 1980, the congregation had been holding services in its current location for 15 years. Its original meeting place was Garden City Hall and subsequently a new building on Middlebelt near Ford Road.

"In 1985, the large stained glass windows above the chancel were installed —The Nativity and The Resurrection," Unger noted, adding that a former pastor sparked the drive to replace the existing stained glass with more pictorial versions. "From 1988 to 1991 the 23 small stained glass windows in the side aisles and the pastor's sacristy replaced the original glass panels."

The stained glass project was completed with installa-



Stained glass figures into the theme of the 75th anniversary celebration at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Westland.

tion of windows representing the crucifixion, Sermon on the Mount, the Pieta, Christ in the temple, Gethsemane and Jesus blessing the children.

BUILDING UPGRADE

Members dedicated building renovations and additions, including a fellowship hall, five classrooms, a senior center, youth room and lavatories, in 2002.

But Unger noted the church is more than just bricks and mortar.

"St. Matthew has a quilting group, a food pantry, and we've designated an area on Venoy where youth takes care of that part of Venoy," she said. "We've started more reaching out... working with Gleaners and AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center."

The church sponsors an annual concert and fundraiser for Pontiac Rescue

Mission's Men of Grace and organizes a remembrance service for 9/11 on Patriot's Day at the Westland City Hall. St. Matthew also has participated in Operation Christmas Child by donating school supplies, toys, hard dandy, and personal hygiene items to poor children throughout the world.

SUPPORTING TROOPS

"Our church and school have had an ongoing support group for our troops serving overseas in the military. This initially began in earnest when one of our parents, Ray Shirkey, was serving with the 1/24 Marines



The Rev. Kurt Lambart of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Westland will lead two worship services on Sunday, Feb. 14, marking the church's 75 anniversary.

Alpha Co. 1st Platoon from 2006-07," Unger noted. "We sent cards, gifts, food, treats, supplies and other necessities to Ray and his companions on a weekly basis until his safe return. It helped our students realize the importance of praying for our country and the men and women fighting for our freedom."

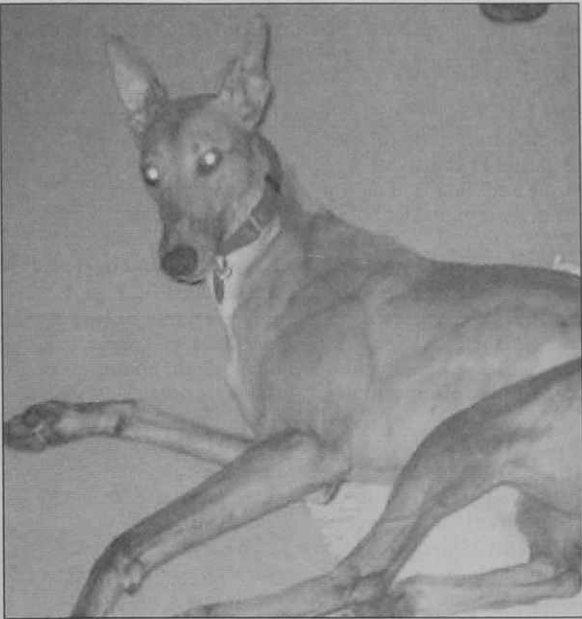
A youth group meets Sunday mornings and has worked with charitable groups such as Big Family of Michigan, Seedling and World Vision. Members currently are collecting donations for Lighthouse Shelter in Westland.

As a part of the 75th celebration, an open house for St. Matthew's School will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16. Unger said the day school has approximately 170 students in preschool through eighth grade.

"We'll have more events coming up. We've been looking through old things to put something together," Esseltine said, adding that the year-long celebration likely will climax in November with a special service.

For more about the church call (734) 425-0261. Or visit its Web site at www.stmatthew.info

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REUNION CALENDAR

The Reunion Calendar runs Sundays in the paper as space allows, and online in its entirety at www.hometownlife.com. Submit your announcement at least two weeks in advance to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

Dearborn Heights Haston High - Class of 1965

45-year reunion, 6 p.m. to 1 a.m., July 24; Contact Pat Beadle-Kopczyk, 3334 Kneeland Circle, Howell, MI 48843, at (517) 552-1182 or e-mail to her at patkopczyk@aol.com.

Detroit Cooley High School - Class of 1960

50th Reunion May 1 at Crown Plaza-Metro Airport. Call (248) 625-4598 or (734) 464-1692 for more information.

Detroit Pershing - Class of 1960

50th reunion festivities in September will be held at the Doubletree Guest Suites Fort Shelby in downtown Detroit. For more information call Sherry Forbush (Sharon Bailey) at (248) 994-0664 or Joan Harrington (Mazey) at (734) 595-7508.

Farmington High School - Class of 1970

Planning reunion in 2010. Seeking classmates. Join the group on Facebook by searching Farmington High School Class of 1970 Reunion. Or e-mail Carla Campbell Lehn at dblehn@aol.com.

Garden City High School - Class of 1960

Mini-reunion luncheons held the second Saturday of every month at 1 p.m. in the banquet room in the Plymouth Denny's on Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275. Call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101 or send e-mail to GCHS. MCMLX@yahoo.com.

Garden City West - Class of 1970

40th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 9 at Hawthorne Valley Country Club in Westland. Dinner and DJ included for \$50 per person. Classmates from the classes of 1968-1972 also invited to attend. For more information, call Larry Conn at (734) 788-5254.

Redford Union - Class of 1960

50-year reunionh, 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 14. For more information contact Mike and Carol (Gerogeff) Pontius (248) 446-9948 or e-mail to mikecarol91500@att.net. Or call Tena (Fear) Keith at (248) 437-6827.



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Classic Catering is located in the St. Aidan Activity Center.

Celtic Aid to Haiti

If you love Celtic entertainment, be sure to mark Feb. 20 on your calendar. The "Island to Island" fund-raiser starts at 6 p.m., at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus, 19801 Farmington Road, between Seven and Eight Mile Roads, in Livonia.

Admission to the show is by donation, which will benefit Haiti relief efforts.

Here's the line-up: The Ardan Dance School, Blackthorn, Conor O'Neil's Sunday Session Group, Crossroads Ceili, Finvarra's Wren, The Flanagan-O'Hare Dancers, The Gavin Family, Highland Pipers, Kitty Heinzman's Ceili Dancers, Frank Kennedy, Larry Larson, Anne McCallum Set Dancers, The MacNeil Family, Ray Maguire, Eddie McGlinchey, The McKinney Family, The Perkins Family, Holland Raper, and Charlie Taylor.

Cynthia Canty of WMGC - Magic 105.1 Radio will emcee. A cash bar and food will be available for purchase. Make checks payable to Doctors Without Borders.

For more information call (313) 537-3489.

Save the date

American Legion Auxiliary Post 32 in Livonia will serve up its annual spaghetti dinner to raise funds for Spinoza Bears on Sunday, March 14.

Spinoza Bears are talking teddy bears that are used as a therapeutic tool to help seriously ill or grieving youngsters.

"I've been working with Spinoza for 10 years," said Linda Shirkey, Auxiliary member. "It's a wonderful program."



St. Aidan Parishioners fill their plates at a fund-raiser for Haiti.



Asher and Allison Perkins will perform at the "Island to Island" Celtic fund-raiser for Haiti, Feb. 20 in Livonia.

Abstract Expressions

The Livonia Arts Commission features photography, mixed media and paintings of Richard Yesh of Livonia through Feb. 26 in the Livonia Fine Arts Gallery at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile.

In his artist statement for the show, Yesh says he enjoys working with form and color.

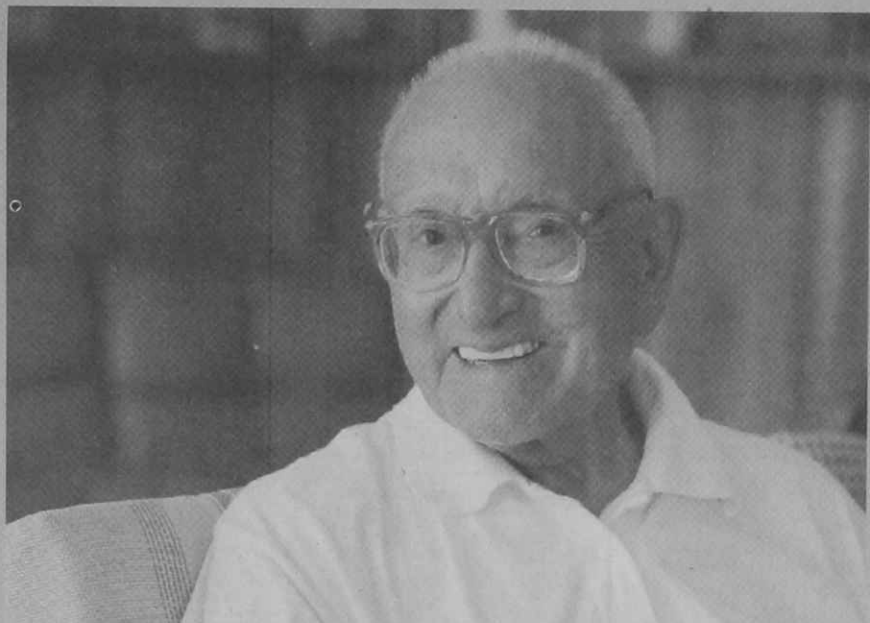
"Depending on the subject matter, my work often reflects explosive splashes of color from images or movements that have inspired me."

The exhibit is meant to "showcase fleeting graphic thoughts and excite the senses."

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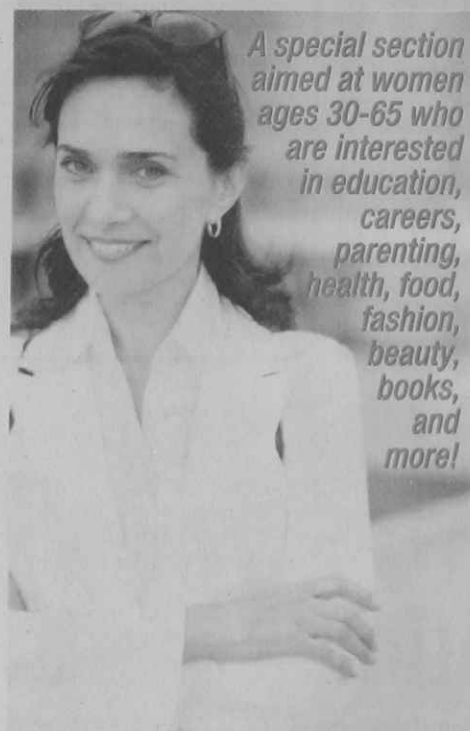
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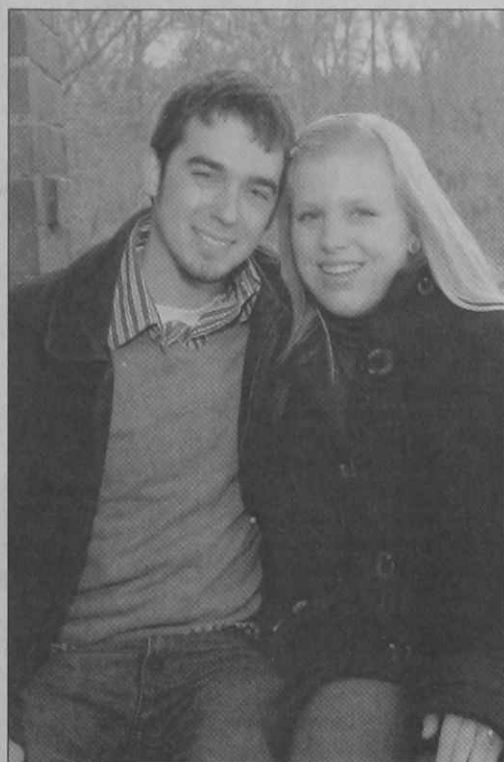
APRIL WEDDING PLANNED

Ashley Marie Ringler and Kyle Joseph Zielinski announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Bonnie and Edward Ringler of Canton, is a 2004 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School and a 2008 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, with a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering. She is employed at General Motors.

Her fiancé, son of Kerry and Jennie Zielinski of Northville, is a 2004 graduate of Northville High School and a 2009 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, with a Bachelor of Science degree in industrial and manufacturing engineering. He is employed at Lockheed Martin in Ocala, Fla.

An April 2010 wedding is planned in The Inn at St. John's, Plymouth.



Ringler-Zielinski

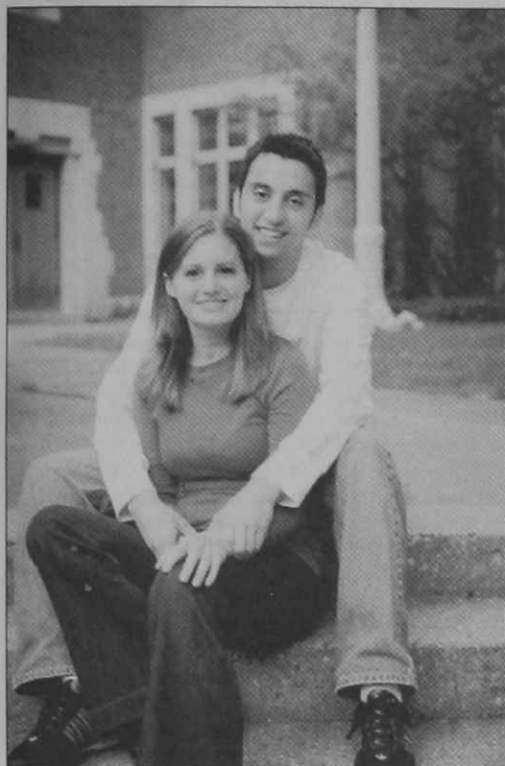
JULY WEDDING PLANNED

Stephanie Ann Swerecki and Nunzio Salvatore Panfilo DeCia announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of John Swerecki of Dearborn Heights and Marie Swerecki of Livonia, graduated from Livonia Franklin High School in 2001. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in audiology and speech sciences in 2005 and a Master of Arts degree in audiology and speech sciences in 2007, both from Michigan State University. She is employed as a speech-language pathologist for Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

Her fiancé, son of Salvatore DeCia of Howell and the late Domenica DeCia, graduated from Farmington High School in 2001 and from Michigan State University with a Bachelors of Science degree in Electrical Engineering, in 2005. He is employed by Ford Motor Co.

A July 2010 wedding is planned in Plymouth.



Swerecki-DeCia

JULY WEDDING PLANNED

Rebecca Bald and Jeffrey Niemiec announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of David and Marilyn Bald of Geneva, Ill., is a 2002 graduate of Geneva Community High School and graduated from the University of Michigan with a B.A. in English in 2005. She earned a master's degree in education from the national-Louis University. Becca also was a goalie for the U of M soccer team her freshmen and sophomore years.

Her fiancé, son of Dennis and Kerry Niemiec of Livonia, is a 2002 graduate of Catholic Central High School and earned a B.A. in education from the University of Michigan in 2006. Jeff earned four varsity letters as a pitcher on the U of M baseball team.

Becca and Jeff reside in Chicago, Ill., and are high school teachers in Chicago Public Schools. They plan a July 2010 wedding.



Bald-Niemiec

SEPTEMBER WEDDING PLANNED

Kristina Lynn Johnston and Johnathan Nicolosi announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Charles and Maria Kristine Johnston of Livonia, is a 2000 graduate of Ladywood High School and earned an undergraduate degree from Eastern Michigan University in 2004, and a masters degree in language and hearing sciences at the University of Colorado at Boulder. She is employed as a speech and language pathologist in Denver, Colo.

Her fiancé, son of Thurman and Ada Saffell of Pineland, S.C. is a 1998 graduate of Soddy-Daisey High School in Soddy-Daisey, Tenn. He is currently completing a bachelors degree in Information technology at the American Military University. Johnathon is a staff sergeant with the U.S. Air Force in Denver, Colo.

A September 2010 wedding in Denver, Colo. is planned.



Johnston-Nicolosi

PHENEY-LAMOREAUX

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis J. Phenev of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Maura Patricia of New York City, N.Y., to Jason Christopher Lamoreaux of Belding.

Maura is a graduate of Mercy High School, the University of Notre Dame, and will receive a Master's degree in corporate communication from Baruch College (CUNY) in the spring. She is employed as the public information officer for Yonkers Public Schools.

Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lamoreaux of Belding. He is a graduate Aquinas College and received a Master's degree from Western Michigan University. He is the owner of Lamoreaux Auction and Appraisal LLC.

A summer 2010 wedding is planned.



Phenev-Lamoreaux

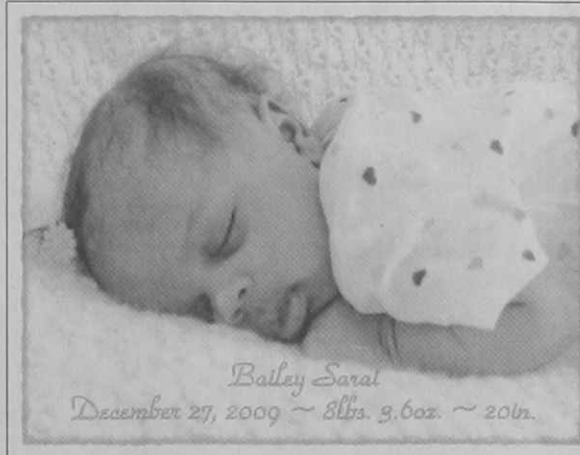
BIRTHS

KEISHA SARAI BOWEN

Keisha Sarai Bowen was born Dec. 27, 2009, at Henry Ford Hospital, in Detroit.

Keisha joins proud parents, Damon and Keisha Bowen, and twin sisters, Brooke and Kennedy, 6, at home in Canton.

Grandparents are Paul and Sandra Bowen of Canton, Lee and Melba Wade of Canton, and Ben and Marie Hill of Detroit. Great-grandparents are Nelson Wade of Detroit, and Ruthie Nelson of Suwanee, Ga.

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DYLAN CHRISTOPHER KUNA

Dylan Christopher Kuna was born Dec. 27, 2009 at Botsford Hospital, in Farmington Hills.

Proud parents are Debby and Randall Kuna of Farmington Hills.

Grandparents are Barbara Schultz of Birmingham, Larry and Ronna Schultz of Commerce Township, Ken and Kathy Kuna of Brighton, and Mary Lynn Snow of Santa Barbara, Calif.

Great-grandparents are Mary Tierney of Oak Park and Helen Snow of Chicago, Ill.



LEAH MARY GREAVES

Robert and Erin Greaves of Farmington announce the birth of their daughter, Leah Mary, on March 11, 2009 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. Leah joins her sisters, McKenna Rae, 8 and Madeline Dawn, 6.

Her grandparents are Roman and Cherie Sowa of West Bloomfield and Michael and Margie Greaves of Commerce. Her great-grandfather is Thomas Greaves of White Lake.





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ANGELO BERTUCA

Age 90, February 8, 2010, of Garden City. Beloved husband of Irene. Loving father of Vincent (Deborah), Lawrence, Marlene Young and the late Kenneth. Grandfather of Tyler Francis Wagner. Visitation was held Thursday 10-12pm, with funeral services at 12:00pm at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 31551 Ford Rd., Garden City. Memorial donations may be directed to Heartland Hospice, 26211 Central Park Blvd., Suite 600, Southfield, MI 48076. Please sign the online guestbook at: www.rgrharris.com

EDITH RAYNER BONNO

Age 57, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, February 7, 2010. The family received friends at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake St. (Ten Mile), South Lyon, on Thursday, February 11 and Friday, February 12 from 4 - 8 PM. A memorial service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, February 13, 2010 and began receiving friends at 10:15 AM at the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon, 640 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Arrangements entrusted to Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

WILLIAM EVERETT MINDER JR.

Age 53, passed away February 5, 2010 at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was preceded in death by his parents Helen and William Everett. Bill was a long standing member and past president of Garden City Rotary and a brother to the Vaclavik Family, formerly of Garden City. He will be fondly remembered by Richard, Jack, Grace, Gus, Alexandra, Kristina and Gerard as 'Uncle Bill' and sorely missed by Mary, his dear friend of 35 years. A memorial service will be held at Amantea's Restaurant on Warren Road east of Venoy on February 20, 2010 at 2:30pm. His remains will be interred at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia. Details available on request. Donations can be made in his memory to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.



HARVEY WELLINGTON BELDEN

of Wayne, MI. Age 88, passed peacefully Feb. 10, 2010. Beloved husband of 62 years to Dorothy. Loving father of Gloria (Logan) and Bryan and their spouses Norman and Angela. Dear grandpa to Blake and Dylan Belden. A brother and sister in Missouri also survive Harvey. He was a veteran of the Army Air Corps who served in WW II and was the Parts Dept. Manager of Dietrich Buick in Wayne for 32 years. He loved making things with his hands and gave his heart to his family. Funeral Mon. 1PM at the UHt Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood Rd., Westland. Family will receive friends Mon 11-1 PM. Please visit and sign a tribute at: www.uhth.com



HELEN L. WENDLAND

Age 75, February 9th, 2010. Beloved wife of the late Kenneth. Dearest companion of Raymond Disney. Loving mother of Linda (Jeffrey) Douglass and the late Gerald Wendland. Grandmother of Leslie (Jesse) Mason, Kenneth Douglass and Jeffrey Douglass, Jr. Great grandmother to be. Funeral was held at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Please share a memory of Helen at www.rgrharris.com



RUTH WARNEMUENDE

Age 82, of Canton, passed away February 5, 2010. Loving wife of 59 years to the late Herman. Beloved mother of Jerry (Sandra), Larry (Sharon), Dean (Rebecca), Blair Warnemuende and Dawn (William) Timmreck. Proud grandmother of 13 and great grandmother of 11. Dear sister of Virginia (Wayne) Vanderwalker. Ruth was an accomplished artist for most of her life, her oil paintings were known throughout the community and beyond. Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 9, 2010, from the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. Interment took place at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. To share a special thought or memory www.schrader-howell.com

ALBERT JOHN DEBOUTTE

Age 73, of Westland, February 5, 2010. Beloved husband of Carol. Loving father of Diane (Shane) Puckett, Steven (Janice) Deboutte, Denise (Jim) Fielding and step-father of Mark Young and Tonia Young. Dear grandfather of Garrett, Brennen, Chelsea, Bradley, Amanda, Christopher, Nichole, Shelby, Maxwell and Lucy. He is also survived by his siblings Robert (Lorraine) Deboutte, Mary (Frank) Kochian and Virginia Macko. He was preceded in death by his son Timmy, his daughter Karen Deboutte, his parents George and Clementine Deboutte. Funeral service was Tuesday, 10:00 AM at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 783-2646. Visitation was Monday, 1:00 - 9:00 PM. Interment in Michigan Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to Odyssey Hospice. michiganmemorialfuneralhome.com

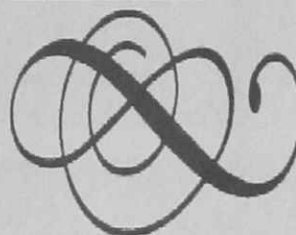


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Botsford offers Dementia program, Alzheimer's support

A series of programs designed to help families and individuals make "meaningful connections" with loved ones who have dementia will start next month at Botsford Commons Senior Community, in Farmington Hills. The series, which will be offered at 7 p.m., the first Tuesday of the month, beginning March 2, is part of the Botsford University Education Program for Families.

Planned topics include: normal aging memory changes versus causes of dementia, differences between Alzheimer's disease and dementia, understanding brain changes, person-centered care, building a rapport with people with dementia, understanding and preventing

challenging behaviors, and visiting people with dementia.

After the informational part of the evening, guests are invited to stay for Botsford Commons' Alzheimer's Support Group.

The sessions are free, and will be held on the second floor of the Senior Assessment Center, 21440 Archwood Circle, on the Botsford Commons campus, located between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake roads, north of Eight Mile. For more information, call (248) 426-6902.

Botsford Commons Senior Community is a non-profit corporation providing housing and service options for seniors.

Foundation helps fund myeloma research

The McCarty Cancer Foundation recently gave a \$25,000 grant to Jeffrey Zonder, M.D., associate professor of Medicine and Oncology at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Center and Wayne State University School of Medicine.

The award supports Zonder's clinical research projects, coordinated by the Multiple Myeloma Research Program at Karmanos. Since 2005, the program has received approximately \$232,000 from the McCarty Cancer Foundation. McCarty Cancer Foundation funds helped provide seed money for the program.

"We appreciate the McCarty Foundation's continued support of this research initiative," Zonder stated. "Foundation funds have allowed us to not only establish the infrastructure necessary to coordinate complex, multi-center research in myeloma and related conditions, but to expand our work with research partners around

the country."

Collaborators include regional and national research leaders such as Henry Ford Hospital, Providence Hospital, the Van Andel Research Institute, the University of Pittsburgh, Duke University, Boston University and the Rocky Mountain Cancer Center in Denver, Colo.

"Together, we are making great strides in the treatment and understanding of myeloma and the rarer related condition, amyloidosis," Zonder said.

An initial national study exploring a new therapy for amyloidosis has led to many exciting projects, according to Silva Lalo Pregja, program coordinator for Karmanos' Myeloma Research Program. Karmanos is taking part in a myeloma research project coordinated by the University of Pittsburgh and Duke University, two of the sites Karmanos recruited to work with on the project.

Karmanos also is in the planning stages of a second, larger multi-center amyloidosis study involving the current centers and a few other organizations.

"We formed this network of collaborating institutions with one goal, and that's to conduct meaningful scientific trials no single center could carry out alone," Pregja said.

The McCarty Cancer Foundation was established in 1997 by retired Detroit Red Wings hockey player Darren McCarty and was created as a Father's Day gift to his dad, Craig, who was diagnosed with multiple myeloma. It is headed by Craig's wife Roberta McCarty, who serves as president. Although Craig McCarty lost his battle in 1999, the foundation continues in his memory and is dedicated to raising awareness of multiple myeloma and improving the quality of life for those afflicted with the disease by funding myeloma research.

Low carbohydrate meals after exercise may benefit diabetics

New research from the University of Michigan shows that meals eaten after each exercise session have an important impact on controlling blood sugar.

High blood sugar is a hallmark of type 2 diabetes, and impaired control of blood sugar is also a major risk factor for other chronic diseases, such as heart disease.

This new study suggests that eating meals with a relatively low carbohydrate content after exercise (but not low in calories) improved the control of blood sugar into the next day. But when the research participants ate low-calorie meals after exercise, the improvement in

blood sugar was no different compared with when they ate enough calories to match the energy expended during exercise.

Jeffrey Horowitz, a professor in the School of Kinesiology and a senior author of the study, stressed that weight loss is important for improving metabolic health in overweight people who are at risk for diabetes, but these study results suggest that people can still acquire some key health benefits from exercise without under-eating or losing weight.

Horowitz also noted that his findings do not suggest that people at risk for diabetes should go on strict low-

carbohydrate diets. In their study, during the so-called low carbohydrate treatment, the research participants still ate more than 200 grams of carbohydrates in the hours after exercise. By comparison, some of the popular low carbohydrate diets can restrict carbohydrate intake to less than 20 grams per day.

"Carbohydrates are a very important part of a balanced diet, especially in people who exercise regularly," Horowitz said. "In general, it is important to replenish at least some of the carbohydrate stores used up during exercise so you have this major fuel source ready for your next exercise session."

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

FEBRUARY

Susan G. Komen

A "getting started" meeting for anyone interested in participating in the 3-Day for the Cure walk, will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 18, in the Botsford Hospital Zieger Administration and Education Building, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Register at the meeting and you will receive your registration kit, including legacy pin and milestone tracker, on the spot. If you are already registered, this meeting is for you, too. Organizers will talk about training and fundraising, and answer questions. For more information call (800) 996-3Day.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital

• "Parenting with Love and Logic" for parents with elementary age children, 7-9:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, in Classrooms 1 and 2.

Parenting with Love and Logic is a common sense approach, teaching parents skills that cultivate confidence and good decision-making in children by offering them choices, empathy, and respect while adults avoid anger, threats, warnings, or lectures. The fee is \$10 per person and registration is required. Call (734) 655-1162. Or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events".

• "Family and Friends" Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation class (CPR), 6-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, in the

Community Outreach Department, Classroom 10. The class is being offered through a partnership with the American Heart Association. There is a fee. To register, call the Community Outreach Department at (734) 655-8950, or register online at www.stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events".

• Cardiologist Roy Misirliyan will discuss heart health issues specific to women and include symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and prevention, at "Ladies Night Out," Wednesday, Feb. 24, in the auditorium at the hospital. Bone density screening, blood pressure screening and massage will be offered from 5:30-7 p.m. Registration is required. There is no charge, but a \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs. Call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1182 to register, or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events".

The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

MARCH

St. Mary Mercy

• Prostate Screening and Men's Health Fair, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, March 6, will include a prostate exam by a physician, blood test for prostate-specific antigen, cholesterol check, blood pressure screening, skin cancer check and information related to healthy living. These screenings are free, but registration is required. Call (734) 655-8940.

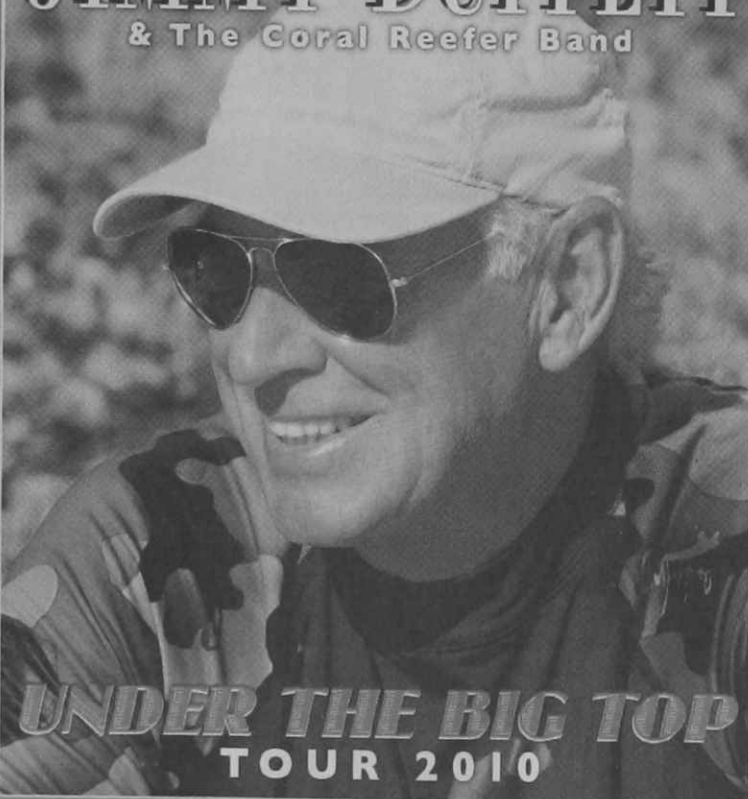
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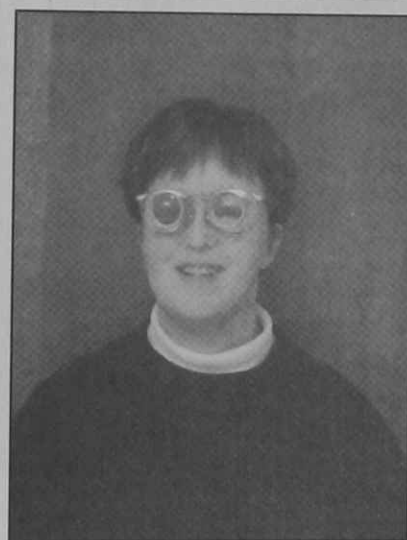
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Hiring Managers Speak Out: 9 Things That Seal the Deal

Rachel Zupek,
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One thing about the hiring process is true: it leaves much room for speculation. Whether you got the job -- or you didn't -- most job seekers want to know why. Why were you chosen over the next guy? Or, better yet, why weren't you? Was it your experience, your attitude, your interview answers, your outfit?

While you can speculate for days about all the different things that may or may not have gone your way, we decided to ask hiring managers directly: What seals the deal when you choose to hire a candidate? Why do you choose one person over another? All of their answers will give you some insight as to what you should pay attention to the next time you're up for a job.

Here's what hiring managers had to say:

"One of the big things for me is [following] up. If I'm on the fence about a candidate but they take the time to e-mail me and thank me for having them come in, it shows me that they are motivated, tactful and professional. On the other side of the coin, if I interview someone and they are using lots of banal business <http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/keyword/business> speak and don't give me any impression of what their personality is like, I will usually pass. I hate when I ask a candidate what their favorite thing to work on is and they say 'everything' -- it leaves me with the impression that they either have no personality or won't speak their mind." -- Keith Baumwald, interactive marketing http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/keyword/interactive_marketing analyst, Shoplet.com

"I know I have a good candidate for hire when they come in prepared with as many questions about the job and company as I have for the candidate -- especially when their questions go beyond just the pay rate and benefits. By showing interest in learning more about what the job opportunity actually involves, it shows that the candidate is just as concerned about this job being the right fit for them as I am." -- Angie Nelson, marketing coordinator <http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/keyword/marketing>

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"A quick deal-killer for me is people who are trying to answer questions the way they think I want them answered. Honesty in the interview is refreshing. I appreciate applicants who tell the

their 'story' of their professional journey. Through their story, I get a better understanding of the decisions they made and the values they have (or don't have)." -- Michelle Roccia, senior vice president of corporate <http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/keyword/corporate> organizational development, Winter,



truth without trying to sugarcoat things. I am not as concerned with bad things that have happened in their past as much as how they dealt with those issues. That shows their true character." -- Phil Wrzesinski, owner, Toy House and Baby Too

"Confidence is important, but there is a fine line between that and arrogance. I once had a candidate state numerous times he was the one and that no way anyone else could be better. This is not only arrogant, but demonstrates ignorance on the part of the candidate. One does not always know who they are competing with or all of their qualifications." -- Thomasina Tafur, president, Thomasina Tafur Consulting

"When interviewing candidates to join our firm, two things can be deal breakers: attitude and core values. You can't teach attitude, but you can teach skill. A positive attitude, strong work ethic and strong values should trump more experience and skill. I also make sure the candidate demonstrates our company's core values. I ask them to tell me

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"When a candidate is displaying a true desire to come work for your company, they are often the one you want to hire once you are looking at the finalist pool. The fastest way to end up with a short interview and ruling yourself out from being considered is to arrive to an interview to only lack energy, give short answers and show no excitement to be there." -- James Thompson, vice president of business development http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/keyword/business_development, MJM Phillip

"When I hire, I hire for 'right fit,' which doesn't necessarily have anything to do with experience or training. A 'right fit' candidate is someone who is aligned philosophically with the company, has a passion for the products or industry, and believes that the kind of work that they do is their mission, not just their livelihood. For example, when I was staffing a green <http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/keyword/green> business in Orange County, Calif

http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/california/orange_county/, I didn't hire the people with the longest résumés and the most degrees, I hired the people who were passionate about the 'green' cause and had demonstrated that in some way in their personal life. What we ended up with were employees who were willing to do whatever it took to make the enterprise successful because they were driven by an inner belief, not by a paycheck. They were engaged at an extremely high level from the first day they walked in the door. I hire for passion, and then train for skills, if necessary." -- Barbara Farfan, management and retail <http://www.careerbuilder.com/jobs/keyword/retail> consultant, Authentic Communications

"During the interview process we tend to ask oddball questions and gauge [a candidate's] reaction and the actual answers they give. This will give us an idea as how they will fit with our company and everyone else who works with us. For the upcoming semester we chose one intern over the others solely based on her answer to 'If you were a candy bar, what kind would you be?' She sat for about three seconds but didn't think we were crazy for asking it. She smiled and said 'I'd be a Caramello because they're awesome and hard to find, but when you find them you get a happy feeling inside.'" -- AmyLynn Keimach, Border7 Studios

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18 Are, in Taxco
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24 After midnight
25 Heir, often
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40 Thinner, as clouds
42 Dense fog (2 wds.)
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48 The — the limit!
50 Vacillated
52 Impervious to light
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58 Less clear

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1 NBA team
2 Pointed arch
3 Shower, maybe
4 Coat with gold
5 Dr. Scholl product
6 Hang — (turn)
7 Do biology lab
8 Frequently
9 Flower part
10 Urged on
11 Reason
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13 Not in good condition
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26 Look at in amazement
27 Girlfriend in Cannes
28 Cook's meas.
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49 A Muppet	66 — Baba

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SUDOKU

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