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## New-school lessons

Higher expectations have changed kindergarten learning


Canton, Livonia to study joint dispatch System

BY DARREL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRIIE
Socked by shrinking revenues, Canton and Livonia are inching closer to a feasibil
ity study to explore the potential for creatity study to explore the potential for creat-
ing a consolidated central dispatch system to handle $9-1-1$ calls for their police and fire departments.
Using federal stimulus dollars, the tw communities plan to hire a consulting firm
that is expected to issue a feasibility report possibly by late summer, Canton Deputy Police Chief Robert Kerr said Amid declining property tax revenues and
cuts in state-shared revenues, Canton and cuts in state-shared revenues, Canton and
Livonia are among Michigan communities Livonia are among Michigan communities
seeking ways to trim costs while still providing the level of services that residents have come to expect.
"Ultimately, we see a cost savings down the
road," Kerr said Tuesday night, as Canton's road," Kerr said Tuesday night, as Canton's
elected leaders and the township's police and fire officials engaged in talks focusing on a broad range of public safety issues. Township Trustee John Anthony questioned whether other communities could
potentially become involved in a central dispotentially beco
patch program.
patch program. "Absolutely," Canton Public Safety Director Pat Nemecek said, and local offi-
cials acknowledged that other communities cials acknowledged that other communities
already have made preliminary inquiries. However, local officials stressed that, ini-
tially, only Canton and Livonia are jointly exploring the potential for a central dispatch system.
"We've "We've got to take this thing one step at
time," township Supervisor Phil La Joy cautime," township Supervisor Phil La Joy cau-
tioned. Kerr said the feasibility study will be funded by a $\$ 74,000$ federal grant. Moreover he said a $\$ 500,000$ stimulus grant for equip-
ment and other resources has been approved ment and other resources has been approved
although it can only be spent if the two comalthoighes move to a consolidated $9-1-1$ dis-
munitie patch.
Last year, Livonia Police Chief Robert Stevenson and then-Canton Public Safety
Director John Santomauro issued a joint Director John Santomauro issued a joint
statement saying that "both communities a in need of a new police and fire radio system, so it only makes sense to look into what could be achieved by teaming up on the project. But, Kerr said other issues have to be
explored, such as staffing levels, projected explored, such as staffing levels, projected
savings, who has ownership of a central dispatch and whether the same level of services can be expected.
"This cannot cause a reduction in (service),"
Kerr told the Canton Township Board of Kerr told the Canton Township Board of
Trustees.
In othe

- Nemecek said the Canton Public Safety Department has trimmed expenses by streamlining duties and not filling certain
vacant positions, including the deputy police vacant positions, including the deputy police
chief post Nemecek left when he succeeded Santomauro. Now, Kerr is the only deputy
chief.
-Public safety officials said there is an increasing cost for state-mandated progra.
that don't come with funding, prompting that dont come with funding, prompting
Trustee Pat Williams to suggest Canton com Please see DISPATCH, A6

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## 1-275 path gets summer facelift



Agroup of 30 to 40 trail users attended an open house in Canton this week to hear details of a planned $\$ 4$ million renovation of the $1-275$ paved pathway

By darrell clem

A deteriorating paved pathway along 1-275 will get a $\$ 4$ million facelift this summer along a seven-mile stretch between Michigan
Avenue and Hines Drive - a project embraced by bicyclists like 31-year-old Canton resident Brian Rosol "I'm geeked. I can't wait
for it to be done," said Rosol, who during warm months often rides his mountain bike 42 miles round trip to his job as an electrician for Robert Bosch Corp. in
Farmington Hills. "This trail is pretty chewed up," Rosol said. "It's a little scary in the dark when I can't see the potholes.
Using federal stimUsing federal sti
ulus dollars, the Michigan Department of Transportation is spearheading work that Ron Roby project manager for Angelo
Iafrate Construction Co. of

Warren, said is expected to begin in April and be completed in October. widening the path to 14. feet; installing four new bridges over Fellows Creek Tonquish Creek and the Wiles and Smith drains; idening a fifth bridge; and
nsuring the paved trail complies with the American with Disabilities Act. Although the project will amper the path's use this bridges will be taken out and replaced - officials say the long-term benefits will
far outweigh any temporary far outweigh any temporar In a separate project, MDOT also plans this summer to patch and epair a 10 -mile stretch of Drive north to Meadowbroak Road - an area officials say isn't nearly as deteriorated. That project is expected to cost $\$ 500,000$ and be paid funding Moreover, talks already have begun that center on far-reaching repairs - posibly in 2011 - to a $10.5-$
mile stretch of the I-275 path from Michigan Avenue south to Willow Metro Park In all, the three projects pan 27.5 miles along the most heavily used portion of
a larger, 40 -mile I-275 path, MDOT officials said.


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announce upooming events taking place in the community. Items will run on a
space-avalable basis. Send details to space-avalabble basis Send de

## Camp fair

Busy parents looking for a ence for their child or teen once school is out shouldn't miss Canton Leisure Services Annual Camp Fair on Saturday, March
13, 2010 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. Stop in the Grand Ballroom to learn about the wide array of camps that will provide a diverse and
fun array of activities for your fun array of activities for your
child throughout the summer. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to this free event. Dont miss this one-stop
shopping opportunity for busy shopping opportunity for busy for preschool children, youth, and teens. Enter one of the free raffles, enjoy some delicious
treats and take a turn on an treats, and take a turn on an even try Nintendo Wii, or get their face painted courtesy of D\&M Art Studio. Many camps will fill up quickly. For more information Annual Camp Fair, visit www. cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-

Speaker series
The Canton Historical Society begins its spring speakers series at their monthly general meet-
ing. The March meeting takes place 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 10 in the lower-level meeting room at Canton Township Hall and features Muhi (Abdullateef) Muhiddin, a student majoring
in history at the University of in history at the University of
Michigan-Dearborn, who will present, Transitioning into a new neighborhood: Canton's immigrant and American Muslim families," speaking about "one of the fastest-grow--
ing segments of our community their rich history, traditions and local institutions," Historical Society officials said. Inquire at the desk for room numb.
'Action' item
Area residents get a chance to lend a helping hand and vol-
unteer for this year's Christmas in Action event Saturday, April in Action event Saturday, April
24. Both skilled and unskilled


## Enjoving life

Walter William Moore, of Canton, (C-2R) saw the horrors and terror of WWII, then spent 25 years as a Detroit Police Officer retiring in 1971, and Hen spent 15 years with the Schoolcraft Community College Public Satety eparument. He turned 90 and counting Feb. 8 and was congratuiated at ty rrinity Church, Frank Krzesowik, DPD Choir Boy Master, and John Gambotto of Redford Township, a retired DPD officer whose first sergeeant (1973) was Noore Moore is married to the 'Iove of his life' (66 years). Virginia and ther had six children, 10 grand children and five great grand children.
volunteers are needed to help provide repairs to needy seniors omes in the Canton commuity from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Skilled services needed iclude, but are not limited to electricians, carpenters. plumbers, roofers, and others. Unskilled volunteers are needed or cleaning, yard work, and painting.
The day stration from 7:30-9 a.m., and a continental breakfast at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S . Canton Center 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 clean-up event scheduled for April 24 , call ( 734 ) 394-5191 or isit cantonfun.org
Kindgergarten roundup Tutor Time Childcare Learning Center located at 51 N. Canton Center Road will be holding an informa-
tion night about their Private Kindergarten Class on Thursday, March 11, from 6-7 p.m.

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rience through developmentel rience through developmentaly
appropriate activities, a handson math program and a bal-
anced literacy program. From more information please conta
Melanie or Kevin at (734) 981Melanie
8463 .
Wellness extravaganza Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic welcomes the community to a no-charge Wellnes
Extravaganza 6-8 pm Extravaganza 6-8 p.m.
Wednesday, March 10. The clinic is located at 6231 N . Canton Center Road, Suite 109 in Canton.
Many nat Many natural and holistic health professionals will be
on hand for information an on hand for information and
demonstrations in regards to reaching one's "optimal wellness." Light refreshments and
gift drawings will all be part of gift drawings will all be part of
the evening. the evening.
Registratio Registration is required due
to space limitations. Call (734) $455-6767$ for more information. Damaris scholars
The Plymouth Community Arts Council will recognize a Plymouth-Canton School district senior who has displayed outstanding abilities in visual arts and plans to continue his/
her education in this field with her education in this field with
the $\$ 1,000$ Damaris Fine Arts the $\$ 1,000$
Award. Students' artwork will b judged on its originality, creativity, and use of material. Artwo
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Damaris Fine Arts Award will Damaris Fine Arts Award
be announced May 4. Applications can be downloaded at: www.storytellerde sign.com/DamarisAward.pdf Contact Tamara Trudelle a
the PCAC, (734) $416-4278$ to make an appointment to submit application and portfolio. For more information, contact Debra Madonna, (734) 377o914, clarion@storytellerdesign
com.
Sagear scholars
The Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. is striving to recognize District High School senior who has overcome adversity with the $\$ 500$ Sandra Sagear Rotary
Scholarship Scholarship. The club is looking for stucourage, perseverance, spirit, courd ge, perseverance, spirit,
and crativity in succeeding in achieving an education, despite a physical, mental or emotional
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For For more information,
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## Mom-to-mom

The Plymouth Canton Mothers of Multiples host their
semi-annual Mom-to-Mom semi-annual Mom-to-Mom
Sale 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday Sale 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturd
March 13 at West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trai (at Sheldon) in Plymouth. The event features depart-ment-style shopping (grouped
by boy or girl, then by size) by boy or girl, then by size),
spring and summer boys and girls clothing (newborn to size
10), sets for twins and triplets and multiples items, clothes,
toys, baby gear, strollers, mater coys, baby gear, strollers, mater-
nity clothes and a bake sale. Admission is \$1, cash only, all
sales are final no strollers befor sales are final (no strollers before 10 a.m.). For more information,
e-mail pemom@hotmail.com Preschool open house PCN co-op preschool hosts an open house $6-8$ p.m.
Thesday, March 9 , at 5825 N .
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About the Drs.: Dr. Daniel and Dr. Kristie Scarffe are graduates of the World-renowned Fountainhead of Chiropractic, Palmer College in Davenport, Iowa. Dr. Dan, a Michigan native, and Dr. Kristie, born and raised in Wataga, Illinois, met during their studies at Palmer College. Quickly they were married and welcomed two beautiful children, Jack and Emily, to their family all dung their four years in Chiropractic school Both are skilled in a variety of adjusting techniques proven to bring pregnant women and athletes.

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## Education



Salem High School cafeteria manager Helene Ross (right), here with Kristen Hennessey, director of food services, was honored with the Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler Award at Tuesday's school board meeting

## School board feeds award to Salem cafeteria chief

by brad kadrich Helene Ross knows that in today's environment, doing he job doesn't necessarily apply only to the day-to-day opera tions of the Salem High School cafeteria she manages Ross: acceptance of responsibility ranges from helping new recipes to helping eleme ary schools roll-out new food items and participating in the district's participatory budget It's Ross' willingness to help in all these areas and more han earned her the latest Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler ward. She was presented the ward at Tuesday's board of "Helene definitel he characteristics of character, commitment and compas-

sion," said Kristen Hennessey, nd nutrition services. "She's eader and she represents the istrict in a phenomenal way Among the traits Hennesse said Ross demonstrates:

- Sensitivity greatest attributes is followup," Hennessey wrote in nom nating Ross.
- Handling - Handling change - Ross has grown cafeteria particip tion some 25 percent over last year. "She has worked hard and come up with innovative ways to make the simplest menu item look like you spent
a million bucks", Hennessey a miliion bucks, Hennessey
wrote. She said a team from Eastern Michigan University used the Salem cafeteria and used the Salem kitchen to cater to 350 people and
"Helene and her staff blew them away."

Preparedness - According
to Hennessey, Ross "never
comes to a meeting or planning session without feedbac and ideas for how we can at the park,"

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 active participant in the pro-cess. "Helene understands we are in tight budget times and works very hard with her staf to ensure the Salem cafeteria is doing its part to reduce and Hennessey and other staffers helped surprise Ross at Tuesday's meeting by not telling her she was the intended The surprise worked. "Im just so shocked," Ross said. "I love my job. I have awe some employees, and I love working with the managers. I
learn something new every day learn something new every day.

## District offers veteran teachers buyout incentive

## by brad Kadrich OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A little more than a third of the target number of teachers have already announced
plans to take advantage of an early buyout being offered by Plymouth-Canton Community Schools officials in an effort to trim costs.
Administrators are hop-- paid at the top of the scal - with their Early Severance Incentive Plan. As of Thursday 22 teachers had agreed to take the buyout, which administra-
tors hope will save the district some $\$ 2.3$ million in the first year. "It's a cost-saving measure," said Ray Bihun, the district's
executive director of human resources.
Teachers at the highest levels - Step 10 for the bachelor's level, step 11 for the master's and master's +30
levels - with 30 years in the levels - with 30 years in the
district are eligible for the buyout, Bihun said. Additionally,


#### Abstract

eachers with 15 years in the tarkweather and English Language eearners program are eligible, whether theyve got 30 years in the district or not. Teachers and other Teachers and other employees have until April 12 to sign up for the deal, and a week after that to change their minds and pull out. After April 19, the list is Those accepting the terms must retire by June 30 . The deal is a $\$ 30,000$ incentive, paid out in three $\$ 10,000$ payments. Teachers can either ake the cash payout or they can roll it over into other investment plans. ind According to James LarsonShidler, the district's assistant superintendent for business services, savings were comsalaries of the 130 eligible teachers ( $\$ 78,885$ ) and replac ing them with fist-step bach-or-degreed teachers (starting "The savings are based on


 60 people accepting it, andthen replacing all $60, "$ Larson then replacing all 60, , Larso
Shidler said. "That doesn't mean all 60 will be replaced, and in that case the savings would go up." If employees who take the
buyout retire, they get an additional $\$ 100$ per year for each year they served the district. Teachers who simply leave the district don't get that
part of the incentive, according to Charles Portelli, the Plymouth-Canton Education Association president. He said all 22 people who had signed
up by Thursday were likely to up by Thursday were likely to
retire.
(The plan) is good for the district," said Portelli, who said union numbers indicate it could save the district some $\$ 10$ million in 10 years because
of the length of time it takes teachers to move to the top of the scale. "It's the district's decision whether they replace the teachers. We"
laying off now."

## ON CAMPUS

Computer group honors P-C teacher The Michigan Association for Computer Use in Learning has named the recipients of its 2009 Outstanding Technology-Using Teacher, Technology-Using Educator and Technology coordinator awards. The awards recognize and
honor MACUL members who have demonstrat ed outstanding achievement in the use of technology to improve education. MACUL will honor five educators during its annual conference on Dayna M. Lang, representing the PlymouthCanton Community Schools, was named runnerup of the Outstanding Technology-Using Teacher The award winners will receive technolggy gifts presented by the SMARTer Kids
Foundation, Dell and EduTek Midwest. Founded in 1975, MACUL is a non-profit orga-
nization dedicated to bringing educators from
all levels together to share their knowledge and increase expertise in educational uses of computers and technology. MACUL provides service to its members through a statewide conference regional workshops, Special Interest Groups,
(SIGs), grant programs, quarterly journal and (SIGss, grant programs, quarterly journal and
online resources. Please visit www.macul.org for more information about MACUL initiatives. Virginia Tech
John Zaccone of Canton was among the Virginia Tech students honored at the university's Virginia Tech students honored at the universits
fall commencement ceremony held Dec. 18 in Cassell Coliseum. Approximately 2,500 bachelor's degree, master's degree, and Ph.D. candidates along with their families and friends attended the on-campus ceremony presided by Virginia Tech
President Charles WV Stege Za President Charles W. Steger. Zaccone received a bachelor of science degree in computer science
from the university's College of Engineering.


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## KINDERGARTEN from page al

ten. "The expectation now is that kids are reading and
writing when they leave kindergarten." Those expectations have changed over the years, according to Visser. When she
first started teaching kinderfirst started teaching kinder-
garten, she recalled instrucgarten, she recalled, instruc-
tion was more play-based, and kids were expected to be able to recognize letters and numbers.

## play-bASED

While they still use a lot of play-based methods, she said, there's more reading and writing than there used to
be. There's also more of a science and social studies piece to the kindergarten experience, as well. It's a hands-on environment where animals visit the classroom, kids get to
watch chicks hatch and they're asked to make predictions and record their observations. Susan Justice has been in a kindergarten classroom for 16
of her 21 years in the district and shes witnessed the evolution of the kindergarten curiculum.
"It's not that we didn't have a social studies curriculum," she
said. "tt' just more involved said.
now.
The kindergarten curriculum has evolved, both teachers agree, largely because the states academic benchmarks
have risen. As the expectahave risen. As-cte expecta-
tions of high-schoolers rises in terms of testing requirements for things like MEAP and the Michigan Merit Exam, those expectations, Justice and
Visser agree, trickle down to the lower grades.
But, with the advent of
computers and other technology, the teachers agree the
higher expectations are noth higher expectations are noth,
ing today's 5 - and 6 -year-olds can't handle.
"I think our kids are ready," Visser said. "They're very capable. We're not teaching anything that's beyond them."
Said Justice: "We wondered if they'd be able to handle it, but more and more we see that they can."
DIFFERENT NEEDS
One thing hasn't changed:
Kids are different, with dif-
Kids are different, with dit-
ferent needs. That's why the


EAP aide Peggy Belleire works mereding skills with Leah Truman, Matthew Pichard, Matthew Bey Ava Holloway and Abby Lackmondy.
curriculum is multi-leveled, to accommodate students who can already read, for instance, and those who cant. Many experience at home or in day care; others don't.
Either way, the program can e effective for all levels. "Some kids are coming in lenging them," Justice said. Some kids come in having a ot of skills and some don't. We've get things set up to help
t all levels." all levels.
A cypical day starts with
circle time" where, as a grou they do activities such as math (using a calendar), counting, the weather, etc. There are "lit-
eracy tubs," games and activieracy tubs," games and activi-
ties. They do "headline news, ties. They do headine news,
where kids share something they've done and then write about it. Writing lessons start with their own names and other
familiar words, such as the names of family members and popcorn" words kids recognize. After circle time, they retreat to separate tables to work on activities, often put
ting pencil to paper. Jill Quinlan has been a
ting LEAP aide for four years
working with students on litworking with students on lit eracy and writing.
-Kids are provided wit many more opportunities to be writers,' said Quinlan, herself
getting a lot of encouragement every day. There is a lot of opportunity for success for them on a daily basis."
Kindergartners also ben efit from a "team" concept of teaching that includes the teacher, a literacy para-profes sional, an intervention spe-
cialist as necessary, a speech cialist as necessary, a speech
and language therapist and parents.
parents.
"Children who need a little extra help are going to get
it," Visser said, "between the it, Visser said, "between the
teachers and the para-pros teachers and the para-pros
and the parents who are here all day, every day."
PARENT INVOLVEMENT Sarab Weiss of Plymouth
has a 5 -year-old son, Jack has a 5 -year-old son, Jack,
who is a kindergartner. She who is a kindergartner. She
volunteers in Jack's classroom some four times a month, and wouldn't miss it for the world.
"I love being in the classroom and being part of what's
going on." Weiss said. "To me its very important. It helps our children adjust, it helps the parents and it's important for
teachers to have parent supteachers to have parent sup-
port in the classroom." Visser and Justice teach in adjoining classrooms at Smith
and, while the personalities of and, while the personalities of
their individual classrooms are their individual classrooms are
different. many of the actividifferent, many of the activi-
ties are similar because the pair performs as a team.
be doing that again. It makes
you feel like you're not alone. The flexibility built into today's curriculum benefits
students all levels students at all levels of learn-
ing. And, while there are new ing. And, while there are nev
things being taught in differthings being taught in differ-
ent ways, Visser and Justice love being kindergarten teachers for some pretty old-school
reasons. reasons.
"What's not to love?" Visse asked. "I get at least 44 hugs a day, my kids are happy and they love being here. There are a lot of 'wow'' moments. It's a
lot of serious learning, but it's lot of serious learning, but it's
done with love." done with love

GETTING THEM STARTED What: Kindergarten registration
When: March $8-1$ ? When: March $8-12$
Where: All Plymouth-Canton Where: All Plymouth-Canton
elementary schools. Who: Incoming kindergartners should be age 5 by Dec 102010 What's needed Parents must bring their child's birth certificate, immunization records and two pieces of identification as proof of residency. Info. More information is available on the district's Web site, www. pccs. K12. mi.us: call your neighbor hood elementary school or call


A magnifier gives a different view of the world to Jacob Berlingier
ents together" " Justice said. "i works really well for us. We bounce ideas off each other Once it's done, we can look
at each other and say, 'That worked out great' or "We won t

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## SOLAR

expects to recoup the money he spent on the system with three years. I call him my solar pioneer," said Donna Napolitano, who wns Mechanical Energy oe. She said Hall's effort to save money and energy "makes so much sense."
Hall said projects like his ualify for federal tax credits Pheasant View officials have reviously said their intent wasn't to be mean-spirited, but
rather to uphold rules governrather to uphold rules govern he exterior of their homes. They couldn't be reached Friday, but they have previou y said the goal was to follow he spirit of the association's
covenants and restrictions. Hall, saying he and the hon eowners group have agreed to an out-of-court settlement, stood outside his home
Thursday and pointed out Thursday and pointed out
three flat-plate solar panels, 8 feet by 4 feet, that he says look more like side-by-side skylights than a neighborhoo
eyesore.
Hall and wife Michelle's youngest of three sons, 11 -year-old Hunter, said he is proud of his father's solar energy system.
"It really actually is pretty so much energy," Hunter Dodson Elementary School fifth-grader, said "It's really cool with all the 'green' stuff that's going on."
Hall's solar en complex yet simple. A mechan ical system in the basement pumps a mixture of water and

## DISPATCH

## FROM PAGE A

 pile a list to make the stateaware of the burden it is plac ing on local communities. - Fire Chief Michael Rorabacher said two new that will increase his depart-


Dan Hall's Canton home takes advantage of solar energy.


On a sunny but 40-degre wita day the pipes carrying the water/ antifreeze mix from the rooftop solar collectors to the basement are quite warm to the touch.
roof-mounted solar collector panels. The panels then use the sun's energy to heat the mixture and return it to the basement, where the mechanical system ultimately heats up the hot water tank and pro-
duces hot water for showers, dish-washing and other house hold activities. It was all theory until I
ment's fleet to six, including a first-run" vehicle and a backup unit at each of Canton's hree fire stations. - Lt. Todd Mutchler was commended for initiating a
hate crimes coalition involving Canton Police, PlymouthCanton Community Schools, the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, The Triangle Foundation,
the NAACP and the Michigan


Some of the solar technology Dan Hall uses is complex but some is
simple, like these solar powered simple, like these solar powered
landscaping lights. They charge during the day and glow at night.
dind
 Hall said. "When I got it working, I was really happy, because it had become such an
albatross." lbatross."
Now that Now that his legal dispute
has been resolved and her ducing his own hot water, Hall seemed more at peace than he did when he was battling the homeowners association. He
said he simply wanted to save said he simply wanted to sav
energy and cut expenses. "I just wanted to do the right thing," he said.

Alliance Against Hate Crimes. Alliance Against Hate Crimes.
The coalition serves as a liaison among law enforcement, community groups, schools, faith-based organizations and the community at large.
The goal is to educate citizens heout bias-motivated incidents and offer a healing process when such incidents occur.

## Waltonwood at Carriage Park

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## Dancers Hustle for the heart

Town hall touts small business
 dance steps with Shirley Ross.
instructor. "But I've taken a
lot of classes myself" lot of classes myself, he said, equally important, people
keep coming back." Dancers, residents and non-
residents residents alike, pay $\$ 5$ for two
hours, during which, as Bob hours, during which, as Bob Pepin says, "they can work up His fellow dancers are "great people," Pepin said, and they so enjoy each other's company that once a year they hold a cook-out in nearby Handy
Park. "Everybody brings a dis Park. "Everybody brings a dish
to pass," he said, "and we have a great time."
Pepin and wife Elizabeth went dancing a lot when they were dating. "We still do,"
she said, "and weve been told she said, "and we've been told
we look good together on the

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## Book 'em: Everyone's Reading 'Presumed Innocent'



Scott Turow's 'Presumed Innocent'
is this year's Everyone's Reading is this year's Everyone's Reading
selection. The proogram goes through
April 28. April 28.
Law School in 1978. Turow's credentials are unique
among his peers. He is practicing attorney and author of seven best-selling novels. As an attorney with
the U.S. Attorney's Office in the U.S. Attorney's Office in
Chicago and in private pracChicago and in private prac-
tice, Turow has had intimate experiences with the criminal justice system and capital punishment. In 2003, he won the
Heartland Prize for Reversible Errors and in 2004 received the Robert F. Kennedy Book Award for Ultimate Punishment.
His books have been transHis books have been transdozen languages and sold more than 25 million copies. Presumed Innocent was
adapted into a full-length adapted into a full-length
film. Turo Turow is a partner at
Sonnenschein Nath Rosenthal in Chicago and concentrates on white collar criminal defense. He devotes

## EVERYONE'S READING EVENTS

Meet the Autho
Hear Scolt furow speak about his life and experience writing tresume
 15 at Millennium Centre, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive in Southfield
Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing, courtesy of the Book Beat bookstore. Due to popular demand, a ticket will be required for the author appearances. Tickets are free but limited. Contact your local participating library for more information and ticket availability. Canton Public Library:

- Lunch and a Book Discussion of Presumed Innocent, Thursday, March 11
at noon, Library Community Room, No registration required.
- Guilty? Tuesday, March 16, 7-8:30 p.m. Library Community Room
- Michigan State Police Trooper Nicole Bock, Forensic Scientist Guy Nutter and Laboratory Commander first Lieutenant Charles Morden will talk about forensic science and the Michigan State Police Forensic Laboratories. Does forensics tell the tale of innocence or guilt? Find answers to your CSI-type questions here.
Community Room - Canton Public Library, Adult Services Library Community Room - Canton Public tlorary, Adult Services librarian, Joyce simowski, will share her expertise and love of thrillers. Joyce can of the Canton Public Library will provide prize baskets for a couple lucky attendees. Share the thrills!
Plymouth District Library
- Contemporary Books Discussion of Presumed Innocent, Tuesday March 9, 7:30 p.m. - Books are available at the checkout desk. No registration is required.
- Movie Night: Presumed Innocent, Wednesday, March 31, 6:30 p.m. Harrison ford stars as a prosecutor framed for murder. (Rated R) - Brown Bag Books Discussion of Presumed Innocent, Wednesday, April 28, noon - Books are available at the checkout desk. No registration is required.
work, including a 1995 case that resulted in the release f Alejandro Hernandez who ncluding five on death row, or a murder he did not commit.
Turow was born in Chicago in 1949 and lives in the
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There are many ways to

> Everyone's Reading program. - Check out Presumed Innocent from a participating library. • Discuss the book and participate in the various programs. - Use the Reader's Guide to lead your own book discus-sion group. • Attend one of the special Everyone's Reading events. - Hear scott Turow at one of the author appearances.


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## Make sure conversion to Roth IRA makes economic sense

Q: Dear Rick: I am over Q: Dear Rick: 1 am over
70 and do not receive any wages/W-2s. How much am I able to convert from a
Traditional IRA into a Roth IRA? After reading IRS form 8606 about conversions it looks like there isn't any limit. My Taxcut program tod me advas.
cern. Please advise.
A: You are correct. There is no IRS limitation on the amount of money you can co vert from a Traditional IRA into a Roth IRA. However,
there are times when it does not make sense economically to convert.
In order to make a Roth conversion economically viab low. First, you must have the money to pay the tax on the conversion without touching the money converted. Second, converting the money would
not put you into a higher tax bracket. If it does put you in a higher bracket, you probably don't want to do the conversion. Lastly, in order to make a Roth conversion legal, you
cannot touch the money you are converting for at least five years. That is the IRS rule. To make a Roth conversion economically sound you the Roth IRA longer than five years. I believe Roth IRAs are an excellent investment vehicle, and I wish more people used them. Whether
you convert an existing retireyou convert an existing retire-
ment account into a Roth IRA or you are eligible to make new
 Money Matters $\begin{aligned} & \text { growth versus } \\ & \text { tax-deferred }\end{aligned}$ Rick Bloom $\begin{aligned} & \text { growth are } \\ & \text { substantial. }\end{aligned}$ $=\begin{gathered}\text { Many people } \\ \text { seem to think }\end{gathered}$ that once you reach a certain age Roth conversions are no
longer economically viable longer economically viable.
Nothing can be further from the truth. Yes, the younger you are the more advantageous a Roth IRA is. However, seniors should recognize that no mat-
ter what their age a Roth IRA ter what their age, a Roth IRA
conversion can be an economic windfall. Good luck!
Q: Dear Rick: My wife and $I$ are in our mid 30 and just had our first child. We
have some money to invest but not much. We are debating whether it should be nvested in a Roth IRA for our retirement or into a 529
for our child's college educafor our child's college educa-
tion. At this point, we have not yet begun to save for retirement.
A; Congratulations on birth of your child. I think it is great that you want to begin a college saving program for your child and I encourage that. However, in your situation if resources are limited, I ment first and then your child's college education.

My answer has nothing to do with the importance of a child's college education because I believe it is impera-
tive. However, when it comes tive. However, when it comes
to financing a child's college education there are additional options available you do not have in retirement. For example, there are typically a variety of loan programs.
In addition, your child can potentially find a job to help offset the cost of an education. Unfortunately, you may not have those same opportunitie
with regards to retirement After all, in our society it is a reality that as you get older it gets harder to find and maintain employment. That is why
I believe that saving for your 1 believe that saving for your
retirement takes priority. In retirement takes priority. In
addition, if things improve in the future, you can always use retirement money to pay for college.
In today In today's tough economic
times many people make difficult choie have to make difficult choices when In making those choices it is In making those choices it is
important that we never forget important that we never forget
how expensive our retirements are and the limited options that we have available to us.
Therefore, I encourage everyTherefore, I encourage everyone to make saving for their retirement one of th
orities. Good luck!
Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer \& Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymat
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This comic's a real clown (and juggler, actor, ...)

| BY Matr JaCHMMN |
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| OBSERVER STAFF WRITER |

<br>business) and works as a captain for Spirit Airlines. the betroit's got some of the best audiences. Good, Elstner on Friday. He grew up in Glenview, III., and now lives in Los Angeles, but his studies and work have taken him around the country including he the country, including, he said, to Michigan many<br>Elstner described his act<br>as "a little bit on politics, a

het on relationships" and said
hes constantly changing he rhythantly changing circus training - he gradu ated from clown college in ated from clown college i
Florida - pumps up the energy in his shows, he said It was during his time
with Ringling Bros \& with Ringling Bros. \& Barnum \& Bailey, Elstner said, that he discovered
standup. The circus (in which Eistner juggled, took comedic falls and rode a unicycle) was at Madison Square Garden in New York ormers had a night off. "All of us guys went to a comedy club and I said, 'Wow, that's what I want to do," "Elstner said.
cus for six more months in order to fulfill his contract.
"When I wasn't performing, I was sitting outside my locker writing comedy," he
said. said.
He got his start in standHe got his start in stand
up in college in Hawaii (where he also did his high wire act) in the aptly named Groucho's Comedy Club. Elstner has also trained at he Second City in Chicago
Also appearing at Karl's will be local stand-ups Keit Ruff and George Demetriou.
The Friday and Saturday Komedy The Friday and Saturday Komedy
at Karl's Cabin shows both begin at $9: 30$ p.m. Karl's Cabin is at 6005 Gotfredson Road, south of North Territorial, Salem Township. Call (734) $455-8450$ for tickets (S12
each) and dinner reservations each) and dimner reservations.

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## Early blitz propels Canton to district title

| BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRIIER |
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| The outcome of Fri |
| Class A girls basketball district final between Canton an |
| Northville pretty much |
| ermined whe |
| twins reeled off a combined |
| points over the first half of th |
| ning quarter. |
| At that point, the Ch |
| owned a 13-4 edge and padded it to 20-6 after one, and |
| Canton kept rolling on the |
| to a $57-29$ triumph. |
| And when it came time to |
| brate the team's second |
| aight district title, Chiefs |
| ad coach Brian Samulski |
| epped back along the sid |
| es and waved to his play |
|  |


| "It's all about the kids. It doesn't have anything to do with me," Samulski said. "They earned it, they put in all the hard work. They play." <br> And the 21-1 Chiefs will keep on playing, advancing to this week's Ann Arbor Pioneerhosted regional. <br> Northville head coach Todd Gudith said his 10-12 Mustangs "got a taste" of success, thanks to their first district victory since 2003 Wednesday against Plymouth. <br> "This district's been loaded for a long time. There's been a lot of good teams in this district and for us, it's getting into the final," Gudith said. "The step we have to take if we want to get to that next level is get to these games and get these |
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Driving the lane Tuesday is West Middle School's Connor Cole (No. 32), while twin brother Brady Cole (No. 45) watches in the background.

## They're just perfect <br> MIDOLE SHHOOL HOOPS

BY TIM SMITH
SERERER STAFF WRIIER
Talk about a 1-2 punch
West Middle School's eighth-grade boys basketball "A" team knocked off vis
iting East Middle School afternoon to wrap up a perfect 8-0 regular season in the Plymouth-Canton Middle School League.
The Bulldogs followed the lead of West's girls basketball team, which during the fall also rang up eight wins without a loss. Both the boys and girls teams are co-coached by Bill Wooster and
Patrick Foley. Patrick Foley.
"It's a very talented group of students Wooster, about the first-ever boys team at West to finish 8-0. "They work togeth er, they practice hard. It's all their effort
and their talent." and their talent.
Wooster said the girls team exhibited those same characteristics and noted
that there's almost a one-upsmanship that there's almost a one-upsmanship thing going on right now. "What surprises about this group
(boys) is they are really good friends (boys) is they are really good friends wit
a lot of the girls," he said. "They kind of egg each other on and encourage each other, too.
"Three of the boys came out in the
fall and helped us (the girls team) with practice, and that kind of spurred it on

## VARSITY HOPEFULS

Against East ( $2-6$ ), identical twins
Brady Cole and Connor Cole Brady Cole and Connor Cole scored 10
and six points, respectively The 6-2 and six points, respectively. The 6-2
Brady and his $6-0$ brother are going to Salem along with another promising player in power forward Michael Hoove "Both are very aggressive defensively and offensively," said Wooster, assessing the Coles. Brady, for a big guy, can
handle the ball really well. "They're ultra competitive with each other, they want to outshine each other
every single day. But it's a fun competievery single day. But it's a fun competi-
tion.
Other players on the team are Ben Arney, Josh Dillon, Andrew Deprez, Chris Ferrill, Josh Morris and Viet
Nguyen.
Wooster said players on his squad wil be split up once they get to PlymouthNo particular middle school (there are
$\overline{\text { Please see PERFECT, B3 }}$

Hot line burns Chiefs in D2 pre-regional


Canton's Garrett Bryden (No. II) work
boards with Farmington's Mitch Hall.

BSERVER STAF W WRITER
Canton's postseason dreams we gored Thursday night by a RAM - namely Farmington's potent top Massa.
The Falcons' big guns racked up five goals and seven assists combined to pace a a 7 -0 drubbing of the
Chiefs in a Division 2 pre-regional Chiefs in a Division 2 pre-regiona
hockey game at Farmington Hills Ice Arena.
"They're our top line," said Farmington head coach Mark
Vellucci after the lopsided win Vellucci after the lopsided win.
"They have the most points on the "They have the most points on the
team and this is the time of year where they need to step up and they did tonight.
Senior forward Ethan Range Senior forward Ethan Range
registered a natural hat trick alo registered a natural hat trick alon
with two assists while senior forwith two assists while senior for-
ward Kraig Andrews chipped in with two goals and two assists and sophomore forward Zach Massa tal lied three helpers.
was Farming
Tim Rogers. According to Canton head coach Jeremy Majszak, the final score
wasn't indicative of how hard his wasn't indicative of how hard his
team went at it in an attempt to team went at it in an attempt to
advance to Saturday's regional fina at Wyandotte Yack Arena (likely against powerhouse Trenton). "They scored three or four of those goals in the last five minutes, Majszak said. "... It is what it is, but
other than the last five minutes we were with them the whole game, it was back and forth.

## WAIT AND SEE

> Both teams played on the cautious side during the first period, which ended with Farmington up Junior D-man Erik Chamberlain
sent a long shot on goal from the left point that Chiefs' starting goalie Spencer Craig stopped but couldn't reel in amid a cluster of players invading his crease.

Please see HOCKEY, B3

captain's CORNER

Who: Kylie Hakala, senior cocaptain, Plymouth girls gymcaptain, Plymo
nastics team. nastics team.
Miscellany: The 18 -year-ol Hakala, whose parents are Pan and Paul Hakala, carries a 3.5 grade-point average. She also is in National Honor Society, was a Michigan High School Gymnastics Coaches and Judges Association regional qualifier and earned a Schola Athlete gymnastics certificate of Academic and Athletic Achievement. Captain's job: "To be someone who anyone can feel comfortable coming to. Being captain be one of the best on the tea

KYLIE HAKALA

but someone who can lead and help make the team the best that it can be." Leadership style: "I am responsible, organized and
communicate well with the team, coaches and parents. Why her?: "I have always tried to show respect for each team member, help them grow as an athlete and to gain confidence

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## PCA girls win big

Plymouth Christian Academy's 21-0 first quarter Wednesday began a $55-12$ rout over Ypsilanti Calvary Christian in a Class D
girls basketball district game at Saline-Washtenaw Christian. Kirls basketball district game at Saline-Washtenaw Christian. ers with key contributions included Brianna Harris (8 points, 7 rebounds, 4 assists), Kristin Malcolm (8 points, 7 boards), Brooke Purcell ( 6 points, 7 rebounds, 3 steals) and Michaela Wheeler ( 4
points, 5 boards, 5 assists, 4 steals) points, 5 boards, 5 assists,, steals).
"They shared the ball well," said PCA head coach Carol Gerulis. "Defensively we were able to put pressure on them early. The kids

## Windle had an awesome game

## Plymouth eliminated

Despite eight points from junior Alex Roberts and seven basketball team's season ended with Wednesday's 46-30 loss to Northville in a Class A district semifinal at Novi High School. Alex Moynes and Kendra Brenner led the Mustangs, with nine
and seven points, respectively. Adding five for Plymouth ( $6-15$ ) was sophomore Rachael Hille.
tcording to head coach sometimes disappointing season, according to head coach Ted Sturdivant. But he said he was proud with the way his team fought hard despite losing top play-
ers to injuries and illness rs to injuries and illness.
Plymouth started the season as a young inexperienced varsity able game experienced. The wildcats played hard all season
ven when, due to injuries/illness we had to go without all of our enior leadership and at times without 4 out of the five starters. "The season was very frustrating at times but extremely floor," Sturdivant said. "With the appropriate preparation during the off season, by the returning players, next year's Wildcats can be even more exciting to watch and much more competitive.
STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF WAYNE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
ORDINANCE NO. 99.012
TEXT AMENDMENT 006

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TEXT OF PLYMOUTH
CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE NO 99 AMENDING ARTICLE XX, SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS, THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS

The Zoning Ordinance No. 99 of the Charter
Township of Plymouth is hereby amended as follows:
SEC 20.2, Footnote 20(bb) SCHEDULE OF
REGULATIONS
(bb) The rear yard in a R-I-E, R-1-H, R-1.S and R-1
Single Family Residential District may be reduced after approval of the Zoning Board of
Appeals upon the Zoning Board of Appeals
finding that the following specific

The single family structure may not extend
more than ten (10) feet into the required fifty
(50) The rear yard of the residence must back to
the rear yard of the adjoining residence and
not to a side yard. The width of the single family structure
extending into the required fifty (50) foot rear yard shall not exceed one hundred (100)
percent of the width of the portion of the single family structure which
with the fifty (50) foot setback.
The proposed penetration into the rear yard
setback is the only practical location for the proposed addition. The completed structure will be consistent
and compatible with the other houses in the
immediate area in immediate area in overall size consstruction,
quality, finish and aesthetic appearance.
The proposed extension into the rear yard
shall not have a substantial negative impact shal not have a substantial negative impact
on the open and expected vistas for adjoining
propertien The rear yard setback otherwise required is not less than fifty (o50) feet, on aceount of a
consent judement or other ppecial exceptions. 8) The proposed structure shall comply with all The proposed addition shall be restricted to
one story only and shall not exceed the height one story only and shall not exceed the height
of the single family structure. Part II $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { SEVERABLLTTY, If any clause, sentence, section, } \\ & \text { paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the }\end{aligned}$ paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the
appplication thereof to any person, irm, ocrporation,
legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason
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unconstitutional or invalid said judgment shall not affect, impair or invaliid the remainder of this
Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable,
and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not
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have matured, penalties which have been incurred, have matured, penalties which have been incurred,
proceedings which have begun and prosecution for
violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this
Ordinance. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township
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Ordinance to be published in the manner required by EFFECTIVE DATE. This Zoning Ordinance text
amendment shall be effective seven days after Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance may be purchased or
inspeted at the Community Development Department, Chatrer
Township of Plymouth, 9955 N Hagrerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 during regular business hour
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## GIRLS

Schmitts and the rest of the team answered the opening bell really
was important because he knew Northville would be pumped up at the start
first four minutes and out those them and minutes and get after from there," Samulski said "We got through it and we moid. "We Canton did day. relentless defensive pressure giving Northville fits - as the
Mustangs were forced into Mustangs were forced into turn-
overs and traveling calls that overs and traveling calls that
kept them from mounting much of an attack.
The Chiefs finished off the first up 14 after a trey from
the left wing by senior guard the left wing by senior guard
Lindsey Winters (seven points) Lind outscored Northville 14-7 in the second (six points from junior forward Kayla Bridges) for a $34-13$ edge. Samulski liked how much bet-
ter his team shot free throws, compared to Wednesday's twopoint win over Novi. On Friday, Canton sank 15 -of- 20 free throws in the first half and 24 -of- 34 for the game.
It was $m$


STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

NOTICE OF ADOPTION
ORDINANCE NO. 99.013
TEXT AMENDMENT 007
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TEXT OF PLYMOUTH
CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE NO 99 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTIONS: SEC 5. $2 \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{SEC}$
10.2A, SEC 11.2A, SEC 12.2 A, SEC 13.2 A , SEC $14.3 \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{SEC} 16.2 \mathrm{~A}$
SEC $\underset{\text { SEC } 19.3 \text { PARAGRAPH } 8}{\text { SEC }}$
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:
The Zoning Ordinance No. 99 of the Charter
Township of Plymouth is hereby amended as follows:
Add the following new sections: SEC 5.2A, SEC
10.2A, SEC 11.2 A, SEC 12.2 A, SEC 13.2 A, SEC
SEC 182A,
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shall be erected for any use which would be in

Add the follow
PARAGRAPH 8
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Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable,
and that the Ordinance would have been adopted
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had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not
have been included in this Ordinance

| Part III $\quad \begin{array}{l}\text { REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, All } \\ \text { Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict }\end{array}$ |
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herewith are herby repealed only to the extent
necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.
SAVINGS CLAUSE. All rights and duties which
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violations of law occurring before the effective date of violations of law occurring before the effective date of
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Part V. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township
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## NEXXT TEST

points, respectively. Top scor-
ers for PCA were Matt Dodson ers for PCA were Matt Dodson (9 points) and Mick Noel (8 points).
Eagles from the opening tip Eagles from the opening tip,
building leads of $13-5$ after one quarter and $30-11$ after two. The Eagles trailed 45-
19 with one frame to go and 19 with one frame to go and with a $16-5$ scoring edge in
the fourth.
Doyle wasn't down on his team following the matchup,
however.

## however. "We we

things for next week and
I was encourage with the
energy and overall defensive
effort," Dovle said "This effort," Doyle said. "This
game will help us with final game will help us with final
preparation for the postsea-
son."
And that opens up 5 p.m.
Wednesday when the Eagles Wednesday when the Eagles
and Ann Arbor Central and Ann Arbor Central
Academy hook up at Sali Washtenaw Christian in a Class D district opener.

Challenging district Plymouth, Canton and Salen
all will compete at the Novihosted district, beginning Monday with the Rocks and
Chiefs facing each other at 5 Chiefs facing each other at 5 W.m. of campus rivals will face Northville 5 p.m. Wednesday,
followed by Ply followed by Plymouth going up against either Novi-Detroit
Catholic Central or Novi in the Catholic Cen
later game.
"Our district is very competitive with some very good teams, said Canton head coach Jimmy Reddy, noting that Novi might
have the home-court have the home-court advantage best two-to-three games toget er will have a good chance." According to Plymouth head coach Mike Soukup, intangible
will probably determine who will probably determine who
wins the well-balanced district. "If you display enough hustle and poise, you could find
yourself standing yourself standing at the end,"
Soukup said. "For us, we will Soukup said. "For us, we will
have to bring tremendous effor for an entire 32 minutes both physically and mentally.

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## Penguins advance to D2 final

## BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAF WRIIER

 With a fill-in goaltender stepping into the crease dueto an illness and defenseman Shauna Siebert scoring four goals, the Plymouth-Canton Salem Penguins took one
more step toward winning the Division 2 girls hockey playoffs. The Penguins improved to The Penguins improved to
$12-9$ with Thursday night's 8 -3 victory over Detroit Country hat advanced the team into Saturday's D2 finals of the Michigan Metro Girls Hockey League playoffs against Port
Huron. Results were not available as of press time. One more victory will move PCS into a single-elimination Division 1 tournament set for Mext week.
Making then
Making the victory over
Country Day even sweeter was head coach Mary Beth Johnson called upon forward
Ellexus Montova to play Ellexus Montoya to play
goal due to freshman st Cortny McAdoo being ill. Montoya earned the win in her second ever game in net, as her teammates provided sive support. Siebert paced the attack, but
there were many contributors.


Girls High School Team
Defenseman Jordyn Moore collected a goal and three assists; forwards Mallory Ro ( goal, 1 assist) and Jenny Fedon (2 assists) also earned nultiple points. Helping the cause were
Rhianna Fleisher and Kara Bongiovanni ( 1 goal each) and Sarah Coleman, Marissa Sullivan and Becca Majszak (1 assist each).
Meanwhile, Johnson said Meanwhine, Johnson said
she expects McAdoo to be ready for Saturday's final.
 Tuesday night at St. Clair
Shores, the PCS Penguins romped to a mercy victory over the Bloomfield Knighthawks ih
the Penguins' D2 playoff opener the Penguins D2 playoff opener.
Stopping two shots for the shutout was Cortny McAdoo, but she had the chance to watch quite a show at the other end

- with her teammates actually scoring 11 goals (only the first
eight goals count in a merey
game. The game ended after th second period.
It thought the girls looked
great and I felt like it twas great and I felt like it was a good
biiding block for the rest of
the tourname Dundournament", Jolnson of said.
the the girls were able to work the "The girls were able to work the
puck around and work out any
nerves or anxiety they may have had heading into playoffs,"
PCS built a 4-0 lead after the PCS built a 4-0 lead after the
opening period. Registering opening period. Registering
two of the first three goals
was Moore with Coleman and was Moore with Coleman and
first-year player Beth Johnson first-year player Beth Johnson
also finding the back of the Knighthawks' net.
In the seond In the second frame, the rout
continued as Fedon scored din continued a
unassisted goal to make it $5-0$ Soon thereafter, Coleman score
asain, with again, with assists to Siebert
and Rojo. Goals $7-8$ were tal and Rojo. Goals $7-8$ were tal-
lied by Sullivan (unassisted) and Fedon. The Penguuins added
three more goals that didn't offithree mores goals that didndt of
cially count on the scoreboard. cially count on the scoreboard
They were unassisted goals They were unassisted goals
by Sullivan and Siebert and a marker by Majzzak on an assis
from Coleman. Including all 11 PCS goals, Coleman led the way with two goals and two assists while
Siebert chipped in with one Sad three assists. Also with multiple points were Moore, Fedon
and Sullivan each 2 gaals) whil
Roio assisted on thee Rojo assisted on three goals.
Other Penguins with points were Johnson (goal), Majszak (goal), Bongiovanni (assist) an
Ellexus Montoya (assist).


## Goalie stops 'Cats 'best' year

by tim smith

Wednesday's board-rattling Division 1 pre-regional boys hockey game betw
Plymouth and Livonia Plymouth and Livonia
Stevenson featured more hard Stevenson featured more hard
edged hits than the Rolling Stones.
Stones.
But perfect goalkeeping and
a couple nifty individual offena couple nifty individual offensive efforts proved the differ-
ence in a $2-0$ Stevenson vicence in a 2 -0 Stevenson vic-
tory. The reward for the $21-3-2$ Spartans: playing state powSpartans: playing state pow-
erhouse Novi-Detroit Catholic Central $3: 30$ p.m. Saturday at
Novi Ice Arena Novi Ice Arena. Shureb and Timmy Pruchnik both got the pucks to the net," said Spartans head coach David Mitchell. "And give all
the credit in the world to their the credit in the world to their
goaltender, Michael Justus, he stood on his head.
"He stopped almost everything we threw at him and had goalie Danny Sager." goalie Danny Sager.
Stevenson went up 1-0 with about four minutes left in the first when Shureb collected a bouncing puck at the Spartan
blue line, raced down the ice and cut in on the junior

Plymouth goalie before slip-
ping the puck between the ping the puck between the
wickets. Plymouth head coach Paul Fassbender said his D-man jumped up at the line to glove the puck, but dropped it. Th
Stevenson junior forward Stevenson junior forwarc
-found it and took off." That's how the intense, physical and sometimes nasty (a Stevenson player was whistled for kneeing, a Wildcat drew
two minutes for a head shot), two minutes for a head shot,
game continued during the second stanza. Stevenson came close to
a second goal when Shure a second goal when Shureb
banged a shot off the inide banged a shot off the inside of
the post and Justus ( 24 saves) the post and Justus ( 24 saves)
denied an attempt from junior
forward Andrew Palushaj forward Andrew Palushaj, both with about 10 minutes remaining.
INSURANCE GOAL
The hitting picked up and a subsequent Plymouth penalty
led to the power play poal led to the power play goal by
Pruchnik at $7: 59$. Pruchnik at $7: 59$.
Pruchnik stripped the puck from a Wildcat along the goal line in the left corner and spun toward the bottom rim of the circle before sending a back-
hander inside the far post. The biggest thorn in the

Wildcats' collective side was Sager, who stopped all 20 shots he faced - including a
barrage of five during a string barrage of five during a string
of Plymouth power plays late of Plymouth power plays
in the middle frame. "We had our chances, we had a 5 -on-3, said Fassbend
standing in the Eddie Edgar Arena corridor behind his bench. "It's a great hockey team down there (in a nearby locker room). They're so fast,
they're big and strong and we they're big and strong and we
couldn't match it. "But we played our hearts out, we had a great season, the
best season in school history best season in school history
for sure." for sure."
The Wil
The Wildcats finished 19KLAA South Division championship with Salem and Livonia
Churchill. Churchill.
During
During the crucial sequence
Sager flagged down a snap shot by jugnior forward Ryan Brown and rejected back-toback bids by sophomore for-
ward Zach Gambrell to protect ward Zach Gambr
a slim, 2-0 lead. "It's all we needed, we needed one and couldn't get
it," Fassbender said "I the it," Fassbender said. "I think if we could have got the one we
might have got a little more might have go
momentum.

## HOCKEY

"We knew coming into the game that their points were going to shoot the puck," Majszak
said. "They have big shooters and they crash the net.: banged it into the wide-open cage, with just 2:19 to go in the
the Falcons.
the Falcons.
"This was our first playoff game," Vellucci "This was our first playoff game," Vellucci
said. "I think the guys were a little nervous, trying to get their legss going and their feet under them. And we did."
During a four-on-four early in the second period, the Falcons buzzed around Craig trying own, at least for a while.
own, at least for a while.
He turned aside a redirect by senior forward Mitch Hall (one goal, one assist), flung a pad in front of a screen shot from Range and did the splits near the five-minute mark to thwart
Range on the doorstep at the left post following a cross-crease feed.
The Chiefs were on the power play with an
opportunity to tie the game, with less than nine opportunity to tie the game, with less than nine
minutes left in the second. But Canton couldn't minutes left in the second. But Canton couldn
click, being called for icing and offsides and click, being called for icing and offsides and
finally giving up a costly shorthanded goal at finally giving up
the $7: 29$ mark.
Hall scored on a sharp-angle shot from the
Hefl
left side of the Canton net sliding the puck left side of the Canton net, sliding the puck inside the far post. Sending him a pass from the
right circle was Massa. right circle was Massa. It was $3-0$ just four minutes later as Range
scored the first of his three consecutive markers. He backhanded a shot under the crossbar with his linemates assisting.

## TURN OF EVENTS

The first shift of the third period nearly put the Chiefs back into the contest. But senior defenseman Kyle Korte hit the right post with
his shot from between the circles. his shot from between the circles.
Then Rogers dove to deny junior forward Then Rogers dove to deny tun. To make matters worse, the Falcons then To make matters worse, hed jast $1: 10$ into the


One of Farmington's top guns Thursday, Kraig Andrews, looks toward the Canton ooal while Chiefs' defensema Josh Dickson tries to check him.
frame to go up 4-0. That sent Craig (14 saves) to the bench.
Andrews centered the disc to Range who Andrews centered the disc to Range who
again hit the mark. Senior blueliner Matt Gutknecht started the play. That's when Majszak put sophomore goalie Ryan Bazner into the game and he stopped eight of 11 shots the rest of the way.
Bazner had no chance on the first goal he gave up, on a Farmington power play with 9:19 gave up, on a Farmington power play withe $9: 19$
left. A blast from the left point by senior defenseman Erik Scott was tipped in front by Range The Falcons ( $18-5-2$ ) added two meaning-
less goals in the final two minutes. They were less goals in the final two minutes. They were
netted by junior forward Nick Woods and netted by
Andrews.
"Farmington's a good team for a reason," said first-year coach Majszak. "We skated with, them
for 40 out of the 45 minutes. for 40 out of the 45 minutes.
... There's no shame in working hard and leaving it all out there, doing what you're supleaving it all out here,
posed to (but) losing."
Majzzak said his team (13-11-2) finished Majszak said his team ( 13 -11-2) finished
strong and bought into his forecheck-heavy strong and bought into his forecheck-heavy sys-
tem Many of the key players will return tem. Many of the key players will return.
"All those guys, all 18 or 19 of them played really hard and I'm very proud of them," he added. "It was a fun year and a very successful year." was a fun year and a


West Middle School celebrates a perfect season. The team, co-coached by Bill Wooster and Patrick Foley, includes (in alphabetical order) Ben Arney, Brady Cole, Connor Cole, Andrew Deprez, Josh Dillon, Chris Ferrill, Michael Hoover, Josh Morris and Viet Nguyen.

## PERFECT

five in the district) feeds into
specific high schools; eighthspecific high schools; eighth-
graders can move on to eithe graders can move on to either
Canton, Plymouth or Salem. The other middle schools
are Central, Discovery and
Pioneer.
But he emphasized that having such a competitive league available to middle school stu-
dents will potentially help the dents will potentially help the
high school varsity programs down the road. "Three of our best players are going to Salem (the Cole
twins and Hoover)" Wooster twins and Hoover)". Wooster said. "For them to be able to
play together and get the idea of working as a team" is a posi-
tive. So "thinking through" a basic offensive system and honing their fundamentals,
something the coaches harp

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## Neighbors

 Michigan productsGet the jump on summer with a visit to Canton Winter Market

## BY SHARON DARGGY <br> obe siaf writer

Shop the Canton Winter maet the person behind the product you purchase. You'll find vendors like Dorothy Rehm of Gibraltar, who hand crafts about 3,000
dog treats a week. dog treats a week.
And Joe Sanso will who makes the "flavors of Michigan" come alive in his homemade sauces and mustards. Scott Robertello will urge
you to try the cider made fron apples grown at his Kapnick Orchards in Britton. And honey-seller, Bob Jastrzebski of Canton, will tell
you about the 130 bee hives his father, also named Bob, tends throughout western Wayne and Oakland counties. They and other vendors who
were on hand Sunday. Feb. 28, at the historic Cady-Boyer Barn in Preservation Park all sell locally-made foods and attracted more than 400 shoppers to the first of three "There aren't many wint markets for these vendors to showcase their products," said Tina Lloyd, market manager. "We thought it would
be a great opportunity with be a great opportunity with
this historic 1800s barn to be able to showcase vendors and offer the opportunity for the community to have locally-


Gary Kuneman from Natural Local Food Express weighs some fish fillets for a customer.


Bob the Bee Guy is Bob Jastrzebski
of Canton.
produced food, so they know "You've got grass-fed meats here, we have healthy foods
and we have some treats, too. Additional winter markets March 28 and April 25 . The regular market season will start May 9 , with vendors sel ing outdoors and entertainment staged in the barn. "Our third season was last and we're really expanding. When I first started there wer 15 vendors out there,. Now we have about 30 . Im expecting this season to really pull in the
traffic" she said staying toasty traffic," she said, staying toa
under one of two portable heaters placed inside the bar "We've got about a dozen today Weople are coming and going. It's a winter market, so yourre not going to get all the people
at one time. They're going to come in, get their stuff and get come in, get their stuff and get
look at the barn, it's ventilated BROWSING AND BUYIN Shopper Michael Goodsell of Canton was happy the barn included a few heaters and his wife, Cynthia, noted that the couple didn't have to drive "downtown" to Detroit's
Eastern Market, one of few year-round indoor farmer's markets in Southeastern Michigan.
About 10 About 100 customers, including Jeff and Sue Engle
of Canton, walked through the market during its first hour Sunday. "Supporting the local businesses is a cool idea," said Jeff
as the couple's yellow Lab as the couples yellow Lab,
Roxie, stretched out a his Roxie, stretched out a his
"It's something to do in the
wintertime." "It's somethin
wintertime."


Phil and Cassie Cowles of Canton pick up some doggy treats for their
Labrador at home.
 the dog treats."
HEALTHFUL INGREDIENTS Rehm, whose business,
Sunbears Just Bones is name Sunbears Just Bones is named
after her Alaskan Malamute, makes the treats with fresh apples, carrots and sweet pota toes, which she dehydrates and mixes with other ingredients before cutting them Chicken livers and real hot dogs flavor some of her most popular meaty biscuits. Rehm, 62, started the company in November 2008 after
losing her job with Wyandotte City Hall. She sells her creation mostly at farmer's markets. "The beautiful part about the farmer's market is that I establish a clientele. They
come back every week. It's fun. It's very fun," she said. "The most fun is when people tell me how their dog reacted." She said some dogs follow
their nose to her booth Their their nose to her booth. Their
owners simply drop the leash owners simply drop the leas
when Rehm beckons them.


Livonia resident Michelle Thomas Livonia resident Michelle Thomas
chooses a loaf of bread from Kapnick Orchards at Canton's winter farmer's market. Canton Winter Market sells eggs,
apples, cider, honey, meats, cheeses, sauces, salsa, jerky, summer sausage, fish, pierogi. pasties, coffee, baked goods dog and bird treats. The Cady Boyer Barn is located at 500 N . mail Lloyd at cantonfarmersmarket@ canton-mi.org.

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Linda Dugan of Belleville checks out a bird seed ornament from Pam

## TO MARKET, TO MARKET

## Spring, summer and fall markets

Farmington: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Saturday. May 8 -Nov. 20 , in Sundquis Pavilion in Riley Park, Grand River Avenue, east of Farmington Road. Call (258) 473-7276 for more information.

- Garden City. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wednesday, May 5 through Oct. 27.
at the northeast corner of Ford Road and Middlebelt. Market-related seminars are held at $10: 30 \mathrm{am}$. the second Wednesday of the month Call the Chamber of Commerce for more information, (734) 4224448.
- Livonia

Livonia: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 19-0ct. 9, at the Wilson Barn, 29350 West Chicago Road. For more information, call Karen
Deperro at (734) 261-3602

- Plymouth: 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, from May to October. at The Gathering across from Kellogg Park, next to the Penn Theatre
- Redford: 10 a.m. to $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Sunday, May to

Revor. Call (313) 387-2771 for more information, at 15145 Beech
Year-round markets

- Ann Arbor: 8 व.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, January-Aprii; 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, May-December, 315 Detroit street, in the historic Kerrytown District. (734) 794-6255. - Detroit Eastern Market, 5 a.m. to 5 p.m., every Saturday, 2934 Russell; (313) 833-9300.
- Royal Oak. 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.. May-Christmas, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.,

Saturdays, year-long, at the southeast corner of 11 Mile and
Troy Street, two blocks east of Main. (248) 246-3276.

Get ready to laugh Jan McInnis, "The Work
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ful and original humor to the ful and original humor to the
stage at Angela Hospice's third annual "Laughter Lifts You Up," $5: 30-9$ p.m., Thursday, March 25, at Laurel Manor in
Livonia. Livonia.
The ev The event, billed as a "girl's
night out," will include dinner dessert, wine, beer, soda and Mclnnis' performance. "Each year we invite a different comedian, said Barb
Iovan, events coordinator for Angela Hospice, "This year we're excited to have Jan McInnis take the stage. She
highlights the funny aspects highlights the funny a
life we can all relate to! Admission is $\$ 45$ per per-
son. Reservations will be accepted through March 19, or until sold out.
Raffle tickets will be on sale that evening as well, offering a chance at three enticing prize packages, worth more than
$\$ 1700$

All proceeds from the event will benefit Angela Hospice bereavement programs for those grieving a loss. These
services include one-on-one counseling, family counseling, and specialized grief support groups and workshops. All of Angela Hospice's extensive
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provided free of charge and are available to everyone in
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For more information Laughter Lifts You Up, or to reserve a seat, call lovan at (734) 953-6045. Video clips of comedian Jan Mclnnis
are also available at www. are also available at ww
AskForAngela.com.
Parisian Goodwill sale Donate clean, gently-used clothing and textiles during
the semi-annual Goodwill Sal at Parisian stores, and you'll not only get a discount on new merchandise, but you'll help
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The Goodwill The Goodwill Sale runs Wednesday, March 10 throug
Wednesday, March 24 at Parisian, including stores in
Weday, March 24 at Livonia and Rochester Hills. Customers who donate cloth ing and textiles at Parisian will receive a discount coupon
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Those who register on the Web site will also have a chance to play the Spin to Win game and prize sweepstakes. Parisian is located at Laurel
Park Place, 17625 Newburgh, Livonia.

## Treadmill training could help tots walk

Using a treadmill could help infants with prenatal complications or who were injured at
birth walk earlier and better, according to a University of Michigan researcher. Prenatal injuries often can
result in self-correcting or f resuit in self-correcting or fix-
able neuromotor delays, but sometimes toddlers get a more serious diagnosis, such as cerebral palsy, says Rosa Angulo-
Barroso, associate professor o Barroso, associate professor of
movement science at the U-M School of Kinesiology. Some diagnoses may come much later, or in mild cases, never. Angulo-Barroso and col-
leagues followed 15 infants leagues forlowed notor delays
at risk for neuromotor for two years and tested their changes in physical activity
and treadmill-stepping in
their homes. The infants were
assisted using the treadmill by their parents. The researchers looked at the frequency of steps and also
the decrease in toe-walking the decrease in toe-walking
over the two-year period. For over the two-year period. For
those infants who were still not walking, they followed up by calling families to see if infants were walking by age 3 . They found that kids with neuromotor delays using the
treadmill were on the same improving trajectory as norimproving trajectory as nor-
mal kids. Of the 15 children, six were diagnosed with cerebral palsy.
"We found
neuromotor delays, the patterr of development through time was parallele (but less) than
normal kids." said Angulo-

Barroso, who is also a research
associate professor at the U-M associate professor at the U-M
Center for Human Growth and Development. "We also found less toe-walking, so foot place-
ment improved. ment improved."
The study also suggests a critical intervention window. Both children without a diag nosis and kids with cerebral palsy improved the most between 10 m
"We are putting words of caution here," Angulo-Barroso said. "This is a feasibility stud
only and the results show it only and the results show it
seems viable to do treadmil seems viable to do treadmil
A feasibility study merely shows that it warrants more work to see how much tread
mill intervention helps.

However, Angulo-Barroso
stresses that in the meantime stresses that in the meantim
parents should take other interventions seriously. "Early interventions are really, really critical, so at this
point I wouldn't tell them to go find a treadmill, but I would say make sure you get a good physical therapist and work
with the physical therapist with the physical therapist
to see if your kids would be to see if your kids would be a
good candidate for that kind of (treadmill) intervention," said Angulo-Barroso, who noted that the next study is a ran-
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mal treadmill intervention. For more on AnguloBarroso: www.kines.umich.
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Contact: Sharon Detter at (248) 626-7906, Ext. 28, or e-mail to antio chpreschool@sbcglobal. net Faith Community Church Time/Date: 6 p.m.s. Sundays, beginning March 7
Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia Details: Griefhhare is a special seminar and support group for people GriefShare is a on someone close. group and features biblical teachnos on orief and recovery topics. There is a S15 fee to cover the cost There is a sis fee to cover the cos Contact: (313) $682 \cdot 7491$
Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 6-7 p.m. March 7, 14, 21, 8 and April 11, 18, 25 Location: 9601 Hubbard, Livonia details: Ballroom dancing lessons, ollowed by a practice session, with music, A dance party will be held 9:30 p.m. March 28 and Apriil 25. light refreshments will be served Cost is 56 for each lesson and $\$ 6$
 Fellowship Hall. The proceeds rom the March classes will ooto he Cancer Relay for Life: April's roceeds will oo to the Capital mprovement fund. Contact: (734) 751-1957 or (734) 422-0494

MARCH $11-17$
Felician Sister House Chapel Time/Date: 9 p.m. Sunday, March 14 campus, 36600 Schoolcraft. Livonia Details: Bethany Suburban West singles group annual Lenten Mass Contact: Kathy M. (734) 513-9479 Little Lambs Christian Preschool Time/Date: 10 a.m-noon, Saturday, March 13 Location: 8500 N. Morton Taylor just south of Joy, Canton etails: Open house with opportunilo visit the facility, meet the staff nd learn about the program, which "Handwritino Without Tears," and Handwriting Without Tears, and for children, age 3-5.
Contact: (734) 434-7792 or visit www.pbcplymouth.org/littlelambs St. Aidan
Time/Date: 5:30 p.m.. light diinner (must RSVP by March 8 ) and 6 p.m. program
Location: 17500 Farmington Road
Livonia
Details: Janene Ternes, commis-
sioned spiritual director and founde of Prayer in Motion LLC., will present Lenten Evening of Reflection Praying with Body. Mind and Spirit Sheill share her inspirational story and lead particicinants in a variety dr lead participants in a variety of prayer experiences using musi son, and guided meditation. Basic son, and quided meditation. Basic
movements, which can be done by movements, which can be done by
anyone, regardless of experience or physical limitation, will be taught. ontact: To register or for more information call (734) 425-5950 St. John Church
Time/Date: $3-5$ p.m., Saturday, arch 13
Location: 23225 Gill Road, near downtown Farmington
Details: "Re-Imagining the Word of God in Drama \& Storytelling" workStop tor middele and high school sty Hunter Barnes visit markhisword org). Cost is $\$ 5$ Contact: Eric S office at (248) 474 it at the church office at (248) 444-05
St. Joseph Parish Time/Date: 7 p.m.,

Location: 830 S Lafayette South yon
Details: A panel discussion on domestic violence will include Joyce Hyttinen, director, Office for Catholic Social Action, Domestic Violence Education and Action with the Archdiocese of Detroit; Samantha Lederman, psychotherapist special izing in ways to end the cycle of abuse and break free from repres sion; and Cristy S. Cardinal, director of prevention at HAVEN in Pontiac. Ouestion and answer session after the presentations; refreshments wil be served
Contact: Elaine M. Young at (248) St. Matth
St. Matthew's United Methodist Church
Time/D
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday March 15 Location: 30900 Six Mile Road Livonia
Details: The career team at this career resource workshop works one-on-one with job-hunters to help build a network of contacts, evaluate skills and potential markets, and provide honest feedback and encouragement. There is no charge for this workshop Contact: (734) 422-6038 St. Michael Lutheran Church Time/Date: $3: 30$ p.m.. Sunday, March
Location: 3003 Hannan, Wayne Details: Detroit Lutheran Singers perform works by J.S. Bach, Johannes Brahms, Gabriel
Fauré Francis Poulenc Sergei Faure, Francis Poulenc, Sergei
Rachmaninoff, John Rutter and more: tickets are $\$ 10$ and $\$ 7$ and are available at the door or in advance Contact: (248) 988-6715; www. detroitutheransingers.com St. Thomas a Becket Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m... March 14-17 Location: 555 S. Lilley, at Cherry Hill Canton
Details: Dynamic Parish Lenten Mission with Passionist priest, the Rev. Melvin Shorter: "A Divided Heart is the Heart of the Problem Contact: (734) 981 Temple Beth EI Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday Location Location: 7400 Telegraph. Bloomfield Hills

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## MARCH 18-24

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Time/Date: 7 p.m., March 23-25 Location: 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton Details: Winter revival, "Exposed and Accountable: Preaching that Builds Lives!" with the Rev. Otis Moss, III
Contact: (734) 404-2480
Faith Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 7.30 p.m., March 21
Location: 30000 Five Location: 30000 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Detroit Lutheran Singers perform works by J.S.
Bach, Johannes Brahms Gabria Bach, Johannes Brahms, Gabriel
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Rachmaninoff John Rutter and more, tickets are $\$ 10$ and $\$ 7$ and are more, tickets are SIO and S7 and are Contact: (248) 988-6715; www. detroitlutherànsingers.com Leon's Time/Date: 9:30 a.m., March 20 Location: 30149 ford Road, in Garden City
Details: Monthly Breakfast Meeting of Bethany Singles Contact: Kathy at (734) $513-9479$ Livonia Church of Christ Time/Date: $9-11: 30$ a.m. Location: 1531 Merriman, Livonia Details: Senior Caregiver Solutions Expo is designed for those caring those who are neprasching the tim when they may need care The tree when they may need care. The free
expo will include a special presenexpo will include a special presentation entitled "Planning from a legal perspective for yourself or an
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Time/Date: Early bird admission at 8:30 a.m., regular admission 9 a.m. noon, Saturday, March 20 Location: 30900 Six Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livoni
Details: Northwest Suburban Mothersis or Multiples offers more Mothers of Multiples offers more than 35 tables of infant and children's clothing at its Spring Clothing
Sale, as well as large items such as furniture, strollers, car seats, and toys; bake sale and refreshments available; early admission 52 , regular hours admission, S1 Contact: (734) 422-6038 is the church's phone number St. Michael the Archangel Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday. March 24
Location: 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia Details: Associate pastor at Our
Lady of Good Counsel Church in Lady of Good Counsel Church in
Plymouth, the Rev. Charles White Pyymouth, the Rev. Charles White
will share the story of his conversion wrom the Baptist faith to Cotholicism
in Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207 or see the parish Web site at www. livoniastmichael.org.

## MARCH 21-27

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 7:30 p.m., Friday, March Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: The Wind Symphony and Jazz Band of Lutheran High School South, St. Louis, Mo.; free will donation will be accepted Contact: (734) 522-6830, Ext. 103 South Lyon Church of Christ Time/Date: 5:30 p.m... March 21 Location: 21860 Pontiac Trail, South Details
Details: Metropolitian Detroit Youth Chorus will perform
Contact: (248) 437-3585 or southly-
oncocehotmail.com St. Robert Bellarmine St. Robert Beliarmine
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Sunday, March 21 Location: Southeast corner of Inkster and West Chicago Roads. Redford
Details: St. Robert Bellarmine Choir presents "The Seven Last Words
of Christ," a sacred cantata by heodore DuBois, free admission Contact: (313) 937-1500

## ONGOING

AWANA
Time/Date: $6: 30-8$ p.m... Wednesdays Location: Faith Bible Church. 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills Details: AWANA program for chilren from kindergarten through ifth grade
eakfast
St. Michael the Archangel Time/Date: : :30 a.m:noon, third Sunday each month, October hrough May
.ocation: 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth, in Livonia Details: The Ushers' Club presents an "all-you-can-eat" pancake breaklast served in the school cafeteria and featuring pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns leals are served buffet-style dmission is $\$ 5$ for adults $\$ 3$. Admission is $\mathbf{~ s 5 ~ f o r ~ a d u l t s , ~} \mathrm{S3}$ for
children, $4-11$, free for children under children, $4-11$, free for children un
3. and $S$ S15 for a family with two adults and children Contact: (734) 261-1455 Classes/study Detroit First Church of the Nazarene
Time/Date: 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesday Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile
Details: Tuesday Ladies Bible Study: S15 registration fee includes interdenominational study materials. Child care available for children through age 5
Contact: (248) 348-7600 Emmanuel Lutheran Church Time/Date: $7-8$ p.m., second Monday of the month
Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia Details: Open Arms Bible class abilities and special needs . Includes songs, Bible eessons, crafts and activities, praver, snacks and fun Contact: Judy Cook at Emmanuel (248) 442 -8822 or e-mail to jcook59@att.net.


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22650 Ford Road in Dearborn Heights, (313) $278-4433$; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, in West Bloomfield; (248) $851-7506$. For information, log onto www.EnglishGardens.com. Butterflies
Chad Hughson, owner of Hidden Savanna Nurseries, will explain how to attract butterflies to your yard using the right
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Spring is a season of renewal，and there＇s no better time to refresh your beauty routine．For inspiration，we asked sev
hometown women to share their beauty tips and tricks：
＂My favorite beauty product is
Lancome Artliner when Lancome Artliner．When I was younger my mom always used a
liquid eve liner and I said I would liquid eye liner and I said I would
NEVER use one．Now that I use Artliner，I love it．If I want a thin natural look or a thick，more dra－ matic look，I can do it．It dries quickly and lasts all day．＂Jivgel，Canton

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＂My favorite beauty trick is lining the inside of my eye with
a light blue／teal kohl liner．It brightens the eye，makes the white look whiter and really makes your eye pop．You＇ll get
tons of compliments on it every tons of compliments on
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＂I love Oil of Olay or as I call it＇Oil of Delay．＇We all need to keep a sense
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of Livonia，graduated from of Livonia，graduated fro
Franklin High School in 2003 and earned a bachelor degree in child development at Western Michigan University She works as a certified
child life specialist at Mot Children＇s Hospital． Her fiancé，son of Dave and Pat Horgan of Livonia， graduated from Franklin High School in 2003 and earned a
bachelo＇s degree in mechani－ cal engineering from Michigan State University．He works as a powertrain engineer at General
Motors． A Septe
A September 2010 wedding is planned at The In
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## AUGUST 2011 WEDDING

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menounce their engage－ The bride－to－be，daughter of James and Karen Sandusk of Canton，is employed by
University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor as a clinical research coordinator for organ transplants． Her fiancé，son of Ronald and Phylis seese of Redford，is
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Sochacki announce their engagement．
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ter of Mark and Mary Ann Bowers of Livonia，is a gradu－ ate of Stevenson High School in 2002，Aquinas College in
2006，and Madonna University 2006，and Madonna University
in 2009．She teaches in Ann Arbor Public Schools． Her fiancé，son of Rick and Pam Sochacki of Gladwin，is a graduate of Gladwin High
School in 2000 and Lake Superior State University in 2004．He is an engineer at Applied Manufacturing Technologies．
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dinator at St. Mary Mercy's Sleep dinator at S.. Mary Mercy's Sleep
Disorders Center will speak ata presentation on sleep problems. 7.8 .30 p.m. Wednesday, March 10 . in the hospital auditorium. She will discuss sleep apnea and treatment, insomna, وooo sleep hygiene as well
as how sleep problems can affect as how sieep roblems scal a difect
your overall health. Sheill have CPAP machines and supplies on hand. This is a St. Mary Mercy Hospital Diabetes Support Group presentation, but he program is open to the pubic
A new topic is resented on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with diabetes and family members. There is no charge, and pre-registration is not required. Call
Community Outreach at (734) 655 . 8950 tor more information. - "Parenting with Love and Logic" for parents with elementary age children. $7-9.30$ p.m. Wednesday, Marca 24 in Classrooms 1\& 2. The prooram
uses a common sense approach teaching parents skills that cultivase confidence and good decision-making in children by offering them choices, empathy, and respect while ings, or lectures. The fee is silo per person, and registration is required Call (734) 655 -1162 for more informa ion or to register. Or register oninine at stmarymercy.ory and click on

## Evening of Hope

 Leukemia, Research. Life (LRL)presents sis' Evening of Hope fund-
raiser 6.30 p.m. to midnight Saturday raiser $6: 30$ p.m. to midnight Saturda
March 13, at Laurel Manor, 39000 schoolcraft, Livonia. Tickets prices
tart at 585 includes dinner dancing, auction. Call (313) 884-0931 or visit www.Irlinc.org. The evening aises money for pediatric cancer
esearch at Children's Hospita of Michigan and honors Dr. Jeffrey Taid

Hydrocephalus Association Or. Steven Ham. Chief of Pediatric
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of Michigan is the guest spaker at a support troup meeting, 6:20--8:30 p.m.. Friday, March 19. at Orchard Hills
Baptist Church. 23455 Novi Road Novii RSVP to Jennifer Bechard by Friday March 12 at (734) $890-2665$ e-mail to p-jenniferb@hydroassoc.

## Teens and drugs

st. Joseph Mercy Hospital Educatio Center, 5305 Elliott Orive, Ypsilanti offers a two-part prooram, "Teens Using Orugs: What To Know and Wha second of two sessions will provide information on what should and should not be done when a teen su stance abuse problem is suspected ridentified. It will include a recover ng teen speaker. The proorams are
ree and open to the public. Free iterature about alcohol/other drugs and teens is provided. (734) 973 7892, e-mail teensusingdrugs@gmail com or visit hitp:///www.teensusing

## Balance your hormones

$\qquad$ workshop on A Holistic Approach to Balancing Your Hormones Naturally
$7-9 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{m}$. Wednesday. March 10 at the Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia. This workshop will educate the audience about natural ilternatives to address problems menopause. Limited to 15 tesests. menopause. Limited to 15 guessis $756-6904$.
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he American Heart Association. earn CPR and choking techniques
or children and adults. To reqis.: ler, call the community Outreach Department at (734) 655.8950, or

## Dawn Farm

EdConlin, addiction counselor for Detroit Capuchin Service System, will
present, "Spirituality and Recovery rom Addiction, 7.30-9 p.m., April 0 at St Joseph Mercy Hospital doucation Center Auditorium (grou
Ioor, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. This program will describe how spirituality relates to recovery from hemical dependency, explore personal spiritual needs and life choices
and discuss the Twelve Steps as a spiritual program which can benefit anyone.
-Or. Patrick Gibbons, adjunct clini cal instructor in psychiatry at the Psychiatric Disorders in Chemically ependent Individual: Diagnostic and Treatment Considerations" 7.30 p.m. Aprii 27, at St. Joseph Aderitiorium. 5305 Elliott Drive. Auditorium, 5305 Elliott Drive, an overview of co-occurring addiction and psychiatrici illness, including standard diagnostic criteria, individ the appropriate course of treatment. available treatment interventions. and the perspectives of both the addict and the treatment provider on addiction.
Admission to the programs are free. can be provided on request. The series is organized by Dawn Farm, a non-profit organization that provides a continuum of programs for treat-
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## Award honors compassionate cancer survivor

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute is accepting nominations for the Patricia Milner Sachs Heart of a Survivor Award.
The award is named in honor of Patricia Milner Sachs, a vivors as she fought her own 11 -yeart battle with melanoma which ended in June of 2006. Through her dedication to the Karmanos Cancer Institute and its Department of Community Education, Sachs developed several community programs includ Nominations are open to all ing Survivorship University, a program to help survivors cancer survivors, even those who $\begin{aligned} & \text { and their caregivers navigate } \\ & \text { through the complexities of }\end{aligned}$ have been nominated in the past. cancer survivorship; "N'Siah, Judging will be based on nominees a support group designed to who demonstrate compassion, iourney using spirituality as commitment and dedication to foundation and support: and commitment and dedication to S.H.I.E.L.D., a sun safety and helping other cancer survivors skin cancer awareness prothrough education and awareness- gram for children and adults. building, a commitment to cancer advocacy, and by showing courage in their own battle with cancer while helping other cancer survivors thrive. Most of all, Sachs is remen fighting spirit, as well as her passion for helping others in their fight against cancer. Friday, Aprilinans are due winner and nomineas 16. The ard will be recognized at the Karmanos Cancer Institute's Survivorship Celebration honoring cancer survivors
June 17, in Southfield. June 17, in Southfield.
Nominations are open to all cancer survivors, even those who hees who demonstrate compassion, commitment and dedication to helping other cancer survivors through education and aware-ness-building, a commitment to cancer advocacy, and by show-
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For a nomination form call Shaa-Ista Wilcox at (313) 576-9282. Nominations should be typed or printed. E-mail nominations to simmonss@karmanos.org or fax to (313) 576-9285.
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## Not Getting Hired? 10 Reasons Why

Rachel Zupek, CareerBuilder.com writer
You don't understand. You updated your résumé, you're applying to jobs every day, network every day. Yet here you still are on the unemployment list. What is wrong with employers?
Unfortunately, many job seekers don't stop to consider that the problem might not be employers but themselves.
It's a hard concept that most job seekers
have trouble wrapping their heads around have trouble wrapping their heads around, but applicants frequently (and inadverten
display signs that tell an employer that they're not the best fit for the job.

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$$ survey, 47 percent of employers said that finding qualified applicants is their biggest hiring challenge. When asked to identify the most valuable characteristics in new hires, employers cited multitasking, initiative and creative problem-solving.

there are fewer jobs and there is more competition, but are you doing everyth you can? Here are 10 reasons why employer might have passed you by.

## 1. You lie

Any lies you tell in your job search, whether on your résumé or in an interview, will come back to haunt you. In a 2008 CareerBuild survey, 49 percent of hiring managers reported they caught a candidate lying on
or her résumé; of those employers, 57 percent said they automatically dismissed th applicant. Everything you tell an employer can be discovered, so it behooves you to be honest from the get-go. If you're concerned about something in your past, invention is not the answer. Use your cover letter to tell your story, focusing on your strengths and accomplishments

## 2. You have a potty mouth

 It's certainly tempting to tell anyone who will listen how big of a (insert expletive here) your current boss is, but a hiring manager for a new job is not that person. A 2009 CareerBuilder survey showed that 44 percent of employers said that talking negatively about current or previous
employers was one of the most detrimental mistakes a candidate can make. Find a way to turn those negative things job into positives. If you can't get along with your
co-workers. for example tell the prospective co-workers, for example, tell the prospectiv environment where you feel like you're part of a team and your current position doesn't allow for that kind of atmosphere.

## 3. You don't show long-term

 potentialEmployers want people in their organization to work their way up, so it's best to show that you want to and can grow with the company. If you were asked where you see yourself in five years and you gave an answer that wasn't related to the position or compances goodbye. Ask questions like, "What type of career movement do you envision for the most successful candidate in this role?" It shows that you have envisioned your future at the company.
4. You have serious digital dirt Social networking sites and online searches are the newest way that many employers are checking up on prospective hires. A 2009 ent CareerBuilder survey showed that 45 percen of employers use social networking sites to
research candidates. Thirty-five percent of those employers found content that caused them to dismiss the candidate. Make sure to remove any photos, content or links that can work against you in an employer's eyes.
5. You don't know ... well, anything
In two separate 2009 CareerBuilder surveys, 58 percent of employers said that coming to the interview with no knowledge of the company was a turnoff, and 49 percent said candidates a job offer. Plain and sim your homework before an interview. Explore the company online, prepare answers to questions and have someone give you a mock interview. The more prepared you are,
6. You acted bored, cocky or disinterested
A little enthusiasm never hurt anyone, especially when it comes to a potential new 2009 CareerBuilder survey said that the biggest mistake candidates made in the interview was appearing disinterested and 42 percent said appearing arrogant cost applicants the job. Every business wants to put their most enthusiastic people forward with important clients and customers, so
7. You were a little too personal Seventeen percent of employers said that candidates who provided too much personal information in the interview essentially blew their chances at the job, according to a 2009 CareerBuilder survey.
Not only does personal information offend some people, but anytime you talk about


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bins The bias. Though its illegal for employers to
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regardess.
8. You were all dollars, no sense As a general rule of thumb, you should never bring up salary before the employer does. Doing so is tacky and makes the employer think that you care about the money involved, not about helping the employer succeed. If the topic does arise, however, be
honest about your salary history. Employers honest about your salary history. Employers these days, so lying only makes you look bad.
9. You didn't -- or can't -- give examples
Hiring managers want people who can prove that they will increase the organization's revenues, decrease its costs or help it succeed in some way. If all you give to an employer
is a bunch of empty words about your accomplishments, you don't demonstrate how you can help the company. In fact, 35 percent of employers said that the most detrimental mistake candidates make is not providing specific examples in the interview The more you can quantify your work, the better.
10. You don't have enough experience
Managers don't have as much time as they used to train and mentor new employees. Th more experience you have, the more likely
you are to hit the ground running without lot of hand-holding. The best way to show that you know what you're doing is to give the employer concrete examples of your experience in a given job duty.
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