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Mothers, daughters: Send us your photos

Hometown Life Woman, a monthly special section inside your Canton Observer, will celebrate "Mothers and Daughters" in the May edition.

E-mail a favorite photo of you and your mom, you and your daughter or the aunt, grandmom, stepmom or woman who was/is that special mom-like person in your life. Remember — favorite means old or new! E-mail your photo (jpg format please) to woman@hometownlife.com and make sure you identify everyone in the photo. Tell us about the photo in a sentence or two and be sure to include a phone number or e-mail address where we can contact you for more information. Then look for your photo in the Thursday, May 6, edition of Hometown Life Woman.

Double the pleasure

The Canton Public Library wants your tired, your poor, your worn-out magazines, newspapers, and catalogs; your huddled masses of school and office papers; the wretched refuse of your teeming junk mail yearning to be recycled.

For the entire month of April, when you place your recyclable papers in the library's yellow and green bins in the southwest corner of the parking lot, the Canton Public Library will receive double earnings

from Paper Retriever Recycling.
Library officials call April "the perfect month for spring cleaning and clearing out your unwanted papers. Plus, you'll be making a difference by recycling during the month when people across the globe celebrate the 40th anniversary of Earth Day!"

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

Tax help

State Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, is offering free tax guides to assist constituents with tax questions.

The guide gives the latest information in simple-to-understand terms, all in one publication. It includes information for the 2009 tax year on property taxes, homestead property tax credits, farmland and open space tax relief, the home heating credit program, the Michigan Income Tax, the Single Business Tax, and other tax related subjects.

The guides are available at a variety of locations in the 7th Senate District, including Canton Township Hall, the Canton Public Library and senior center.

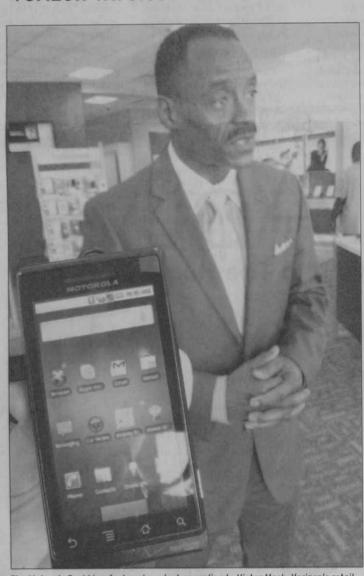
An online version of the 2010 Tax Guide is available by visiting Patterson's Web site at www.senatorbrucepatterson.com/.



Floating manager Joe Hutchinson holds a tablet PC that frees him from working behind a counter in order to handle a sale.

Technological 'Oz'

Verizon Wireless rolls out new Canton 'wonderland'



The Motorola Droid is a featured product according to Victor Mack, Verizon's retail

director for Michigan.

BY DARRELL CLEM OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Verizon Wireless has rolled out a new, tech-savvy store in Canton that Victor Mack, the company's retail director for Michigan, calls "the yellow brick road" to rapidly evolving phone technology.

Never mind Oz. This is a sleekly designed place where a modern Dorothy and her friends can find the communication wizardry and information gadgets they need to navigate an increasingly busy world that demands their time and attention.

Verizon's newest store marks a \$600,000 investment that transformed the former Hunan Empire restaurant, 41802 Ford Road en Haggerty and Lilley, in a highly interactive playground where customers can try out or buy smartphones, simple phones, small laptop netbooks and multimedia phones ideal for downloading music, frequent texting and social networking.

The store also has become one of Verizon's first locations in Michigan to use portable computers, known as PC tablets, that allow employees to abandon the service desk, roam the floor, process orders more efficiently and reduce the time it takes to complete a transaction.

"It's our 'evo-designed' store. It's the next evolution for us," said Michelle Gilbert, Verizon public relations manager for Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky.

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Policy shift adds oversight to publications

BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education last week approved the first reading of a revised policy that will alter the way journalistic forums within the district are governed.

Acting on a recommendation from NEOLA, the policy consultant used by the district, Plymouth-Canton's policy committee recommended changes to the policy covering school-sponsored publications and productions.

The change designates Plymouth-Canton publications such as Perspective, the district newspaper, as nonpublic forums, giving administrators more power over what can be printed, played or expressed over forums such as *Perspective*, WSDP 88.1FM, the student-run radio station, plays performed by the drama department and even the content of morning announcements.

"The intent is to make sure any copy sent out reflects academic excellence, and keep out objectionable content," said Bob Hayes, the district's director of student services. 'We want to teach students the responsibility that goes along with a free press."

The new policy, if adopted, applies to "school-sponsored media" such as Perspective, 88.1, yearbooks, playbills, blogs, library journals, theatrical productions and video and audio productions. It also extends to posters, pamphlets, and school-sponsored clothing such as T-shirts.

The policy prohibits content that is deemed defamatory, libelous, obscene or harmful to juveniles and speech "likely to cause substantial disruption of or material interference with ... the educational

The biggest change, though, is the addition of a provision that provides for pre-publication review by administrators including the building principal - in this case likely Park Principal Bill Zolkowski - and district Superintendent Dr. Craig Fiegel. The policy allows those administrators "prior review and restraint" of the publications.

"What people are concerned about is 'Big Brother' censoring what kids are doing," Hayes said. "That's not our intent."

NEVER BEFORE

That's not how it feels to Mary Lou Nagy, the academic adviser to the staff of Perspective. Nagy, who owns a bachelor's degree in English (with a journalism minor) and a master's degree in journalism from Michigan State University, has been the paper's academic adviser for most of her 19 years in the district.

She said the paper has "never had administrative oversight or prior review" and has always practiced as an open

'My main objection is we've operated all these years without that," Nagy said. "My concern is there may be stories the district might not want run."

That's what happened in Dean vs. Utica

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Canton continues strategy series

BY DARRELL CLEM OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Norma LaVallee of the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will be the next speaker as Canton continues its Strategies of Success series of workshops intended to inspire local companies facing a challenging economy.

LaVallee is expected to offer advice for how companies can reduce costs yet achieve growth by operating more efficiently. For more than 16 years, she has worked with Michigan employers to help them grow their businesses. She has worked with industries including health care, manufacturing, food processing, logistics, transportation, construction and education.

LaVallee's address is scheduled for 7:30-9 a.m. Wednesday, April 14, at Canton's Summit on the Park banquet center, 46000 Summit Parkway. It's the latest in a Strategies of Success series sponsored by the township and the Chamber of Commerce.

"It's important to help our businesses stay successful," Debra Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Canton's economic development manager, has said. "Our intent is to provide connections to resources and education for businesses in the community so they can stay successful.

LaVallee's address is free for Canton businesses and Canton chamber members. Others, including companies outside the township, may attend for \$10 per person.

Organizers say space is limited, and they are asking those planning to attend to register by calling the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040 or by sending an e-mail to admin@cantonchamber. com. Be sure to include a company name, contact information and number of people

Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy has called the workshop series an effort to retain local businesses, because "we want them to stay in Canton and thrive."

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Look out below!

It was a beautiful day Friday for the 26th time Wayne County Parks has held the Marshmallow Drop at Nankin Mills in Westland. Unseasonably mild weather brought out a giant crowd of kids. For more coverage, see page A8.

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

Newcomers Mom 2 Mom

Canton Newcomers Club hosts its Mom2Mom sale on April 10, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

Roll Over fund-raiser

A "Roll Over Cancer Fund Raiser," sponsored by "Inspired from Heaven" for the Canton Relay for Life, takes place 7-10 p.m. Saturday, April 10, at Skateland West, 37550 Cherry Hill in Westland.

Skates will be available to rent or skaters can bring their own. The event will feature a 50/50 raffle (prize: Birthday party for 8 at Skateland) and door prizes; luminaries will be available for \$10.

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Proceeds go to the American Cancer Society Canton Relay for Life. For more information, contact Mary at inspiredfromheaven@yahoo.com

Clothing bank

The Plymouth/Canton Clothing Bank located in Salem High School is now fully stocked with gently used clothing from infants to adults. People who need clothing and live in the Plymouth/ Canton school district can call (734) 416-6179 for information and an appointment.

The Plymouth/Canton Clothing Bank is open Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. when school is in

Bible study workshop

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Experienced instructors lead sessions that teach the Inductive Bible Study Method, using the skills of observation, interpretation, and application to help students understand the Bible for themselves. Courses will also be offered to train people to lead small group bible study discussions. Experienced trainers use tried and true methods to help students develop more effective Bible study or leading skills.

For more information or to register for workshops go to www.precept.org. For questions or an informational brochure call Lee Anne Young, (734) 455-0022, Ext. 2144, or e-mail leeanne@cbcjoy.org.

Slavens coffee

State Rep. Dian Slavens (D-Canton) invites residents to join her for a cup of coffee and conversation at one of her upcoming coffee hours.

Slavens will host her April coffee hours 9-10 a.m. Monday, April 12, at the Canton Big Boy, 45250 Ford Road in Canton, and 11 a.m. to noon Monday, April 19, at Mike's Red Apple Restaurant, 60 Main, in Belleville.

Slavens hosts regular coffee hours and town hall meetings throughout Canton Township, Belleville and Van Buren Township. If your business or organization is interested in hosting an event with Slavens, call her office toll-free at (888) 347-8021 or send e-mail to DianSlavens@house.mi.gov. Residents also can sign up for Slavens' e-newsletter and take her brief community survey by visiting her Web site at www. house.mi.gov/dslavens.

Hospice support

Compassionate Care Hospice is offering a sevenweek grief support series, "Understanding Your Grief," beginning Thursday, April 15.

The group is for any adult who has experienced the death of a loved one and will pro-



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Mom movers

Canton Charter Academy held a kickoff event last week for its spring Movers for Moms donation drive. Movers for Moms is a partnership between Two Men and a Truck and Canton Charter Academy to collect creature comforts, toiletries and other essential items for moms at the local women's shelter, the YWCA Interim House in Metro Detroit. Two Men and a Truck, Canton Academy Principals and students proudly displayed empty moving boxes supplied by Two Men and a Truck in hopes that the boxes will be overflowing with donations come Mother's Day. The students are charged up to beat last year's statewide collection efforts of 6,000 items.

vide support and education on the grieving process. The group will be conducted at the Compassionate Care Hospice office located at 5820 N. Lilley Rd., Ste. 1, Canton, from 7-

8:30 p.m. There is no charge. For information or to register, contact Ann Christensen, Compassionate Care Hospice Bereavement Coordinator, at (734) 983-9050.

Business women meet

The Canton Business & Professional Women meet 6-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 12, at Palermo's Restaurant, 44938 Ford Road in Canton.

Guest speaker Kathy Henning will talk about being less stressed by showing how important it is to stay present in the moment because the mind can get carried away, in particular worrying about the future.

For more information and to RSVP contact June Nicholas at junenicholas@comcast.net or by calling (313) 610-2561.

Waste pickup

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste starts Monday and will continue until Dec.

2. All yard waste should be placed with your recyclables separate from your trash on your regular trash collection

Acceptable yard waste items include; grass clippings, leaves, yard and garden waste, pruning debris, wood debris, and brush. Unacceptable yard waste items include; food scraps, animal waste, batteries, chemicals, and sod.

Twigs, branches, brush, pruning, and wood debris must be tied with heavy twine into bundles no longer than three feet, not exceeding 1-1/2 inches in diameter, and weighing no more then 50 pounds. Bundles are limited to six bundles a week.

Grass clippings, leaves, and garden waste must be placed in 30 gallon paper yard waste bags or 32 gallon reusable containers with sturdy handles marked "YARD WASTE". Stickers for reusable container are available at Canton Treasurer's Officer. Please note, dirt and clay are unacceptable yard waste items, if either are placed in the yard waste bag or receptacle, CWR

will leave the yard waste behind.

All containers must be marked "YARD WASTE" and containers weighing over 50 pounds or that are over 32 gallons will not be accepted. All of the vard waste collected in Canton is delivered to the Veolia Regional Yard Waste Compost Site located on Six Mile Road in Salem Township. At the facility the yard waste is screened, then placed in long wind-rows which facilitate the natural decomposition of the yard waste into reusable compost.

For questions or more information on yard waste collection please refer to your Canton Resource Guide or call Canton Waste Recycling at 734/397-5801.

Captain meetings

Canton Relay for Life hosts team captain meetings 7 p.m. April 13 at the Canton Public Library, and 7 p.m. April 27 at the Summit.

Teams currently registered for the local Relay For Life event or anyone interested in learning more about participating in the event should attend. Team Captain meetings will be held periodically as the community ramps up for the annual Relay For Life of Canton on May 15-16 at Heritage Park.

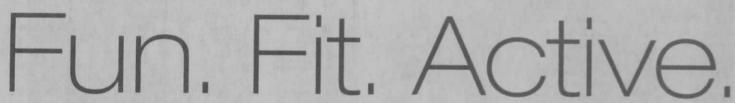
Community members can join the movement for a world with less cancer and more birthdays by starting a new team or joining an existing team by following the links at www.relayforlife.org/ cantonmi. Donations can be made to this local Relay For Life event by visiting www. relayforlife.org/cantonmi as

St. Michael open house

St. Michael Christian School, located at 7000 N. Sheldon Road in Canton, hosts an open house 6-8 p.m. Thursday, April 15.

The school offers preschool and elementary, including a Young Fives" program and all-day kindergarten. Register before April 16 and apply full registration fee toward first month's tuition.

Contact the school office at (734) 459-9720 for more infor-



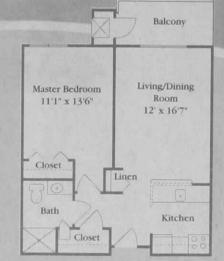
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OVERSIGHT

Community Schools, a 2004 case in which a student journalist wrote a story about a lawsuit by a couple claiming diesel fumes emitted by idling school buses contributed to the husband's lung cancer. Utica High School Principal Richard Machesky ordered the deletion of the story, a decision later deemed "unreasonable" and "unconstitutional" by District Judge Arthur Tarnow.

Tarnow examined Dean's article and determined that there was not a "significant disparity in quality between Dean's article in the Arrow and the similar articles in 'professional newspapers." In addition to these two factors, the judge decided that the school had censored the article in its own interest, by preventing the expression of its viewpoint, and then claiming it was "inaccurate.

"I think it has the potential to restrict First Amendment rights," Nagy said. "If there's a story we write on an issue we cover and (administrators) say not to cover it, that's censor-

FORUM TYPE

The district, relying on NEOLA's recommendation and attorneys, classified Plymouth-Canton's publications a "nonpublic forum," a designation that historically gives districts more control over their publications. In a memo to the district, attorney Lisa Swem of the Thrun Law Firm in Troy used Hazelwood vs. Kuhlmeier, a 1988 case that went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court.

In Hazelwood, the principal usually reviewed the school paper before it was published, given to him by the academic adviser. In this case, the principal deleted two pages that had been written for the next edition of the school paper because he believed it was inappropriate for school.

The Supreme Court, ruling in favor of the district, concluded the censorship didn't violate the First Amendment because the district's paper hadn't been established as a forum for student expression.

Hayes said, though the policy would give the district the oversight it seeks, there's no intention to exercise it at will.

We are not planning to change the way we do business," Hayes said. "We have an obligation to make sure our students maintain high standards of academic achieve-

Still, some students fear once the district has that oversight, exercising it could affect how the publications are pro-

"I'm definitely concerned about the future of the paper," said Plymouth High School senior Jamie Hogan, who cited a drop in enrollment that caused the course to be dropped for the second semester. "They spend so much time teaching us we have the right to speak out, as long as it doesn't interfere with the education. I think they're interfering with that.

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Shoppers flock to winter market

BY DARRELL CLEM OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When organizers debuted Canton's first Winter Market this year, they didn't quite know how the community would respond.

Turns out, hundreds of people decided to beat cabin fever by sauntering to the old Cady-Boyer Barn, where they already had grown accustomed to the warmer-weather Canton Farmers Market.

"I'm very pleased," Tina Lloyd, market manager said

Wednesday. Organizers counted 389 people last Sunday during the second round of the Canton Winter Market, nearly as many as a crowd of 420 that turned out for the Feb. 28 debut. One more off-season event has been scheduled for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, April 25, inside the Cady-Boyer Barn, located at Preservation Park, 500 N. Ridge Road.

"If the weather is good, we might spill out of the barn,"

Organizers used portable heaters to warm the barn, especially in February, and even a little rain didn't stop patrons last Sunday.

'The rain didn't seem to keep anybody away," Lloyd said, "so that was good.

Numerous vendors have sold items such as pies, breads, apples, pasta sauces, smoked fish, organic cheese and even dog and bird treats during Winter Market.

Early on, vendors such as Canton beekeeper Bob Jastrzebski touted the off-season market as a way to keep in touch with their summertime customers. Jastrzebski, who owns Canton-based CIM Solutions and Networking, has a second career with Bobilin Honey.

"For me to have something like this (Winter Market) at this time of year is good," he told the *Observer* back in

Lloyd said another off-season market may be coming late this year.

We're hopeful of doing one in November on the Sunday before Thanksgiving," she said.

As for another Winter Market next year, Lloyd said, we'll evaluate it, but I'm hopeful. We've had a great response."

For more information on the market, log on to www.cantonfun.org and look under the Community Events tab. Many vendors accept pre-orders.



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Gabrielle Hinchcliff of Canton inspects the apples from Kapnick Orchards at the winter market in Canton.



Linda Dugan from Bellville bird seed ornament from Pam Baril, owner of from Cooke Cutter Tweets, at Canton's winter

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FROM PAGE A1

Similar to stores at Westland Shopping Center and at 29523 Plymouth Road in Livonia, Canton's new Verizon Wireless shop caters to busy customers and aims to get them in and out quickly.

"We don't want customers to wait," Mack said. "We recognize and respect the value of their time.

Even so, Mack said employees also take the time they need to help their less tech-savvy customers, and consultants are on hand to help small business owners find ways to improve their efficiency. The store also offers a trouble-shooting area and a self-serve kiosk where patrons can pay their bills.

On one wall, Motorola Droid phones are among the products that have sparked consumer interest. They are essentially smartphones that serve as mini-desktops capable of

accessing the Internet and providing Google voice-activated searches, among other features.

As Joe Hutchinson, a Verizon district floating manager, demonstrated, the Droid also has a "talk to text" feature that eliminates laborious typing.

Gilbert called it "the Cadillac of smartphones. It already has 30,000 'apps' (applications) and that number is growing."

Mack also pointed to netbooks, equipped with mobile broadband, as another popular product that is for "highly mobile customers who need

access to the Internet on the go." If it all seems a little overwhelming, relax. Gilbert said the 25-employee store offers products for customers ranging from those who simply need a basic phone to a busy soccer mom who's watching one child play on the field while remotely helping another youngster with homework at home.

It's not Oz. Rather, Mack said, "it's a wonderland of technology."





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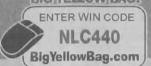
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Team Kenny gears up for diabetes fight

CORRESPONDENT

Kenny Skoug of Plymouth is similar to other fifthgrade TAG students at Miller Elementary School in Canton. He rides his scooter and bike, reads mystery and fantasy books and is a huge Detroit Tigers fan.

Kenny, however, is not a typical fifth grader. He has type 1 diabetes and is the Youth Ambassador for the 2010 Brighton Tour the Cure Ride, which is sponsored by American Diabetes Association.

The ADA's mission is to prevent and cure diabetes, as well as improve the lives of those affected. At present, more than 23.6 million Americans suffer from diabetes. The ADA states that diabetes is responsible for more deaths, per year, than breast cancer and AIDS combined.

Ten-year-old Kenny took on the role of Youth Ambassador after his diagnosis, which was made during a family vacation in Chincoteague Island, Va. His parents, Becky and Ken Skoug, noticed early on in the trip that Kenny had an unquenchable thirst and made frequent bathroom visits. A few days later, he seemed fine and the family went out for ice cream; however, Kenny suddenly acted like he had the stomach flu. Soon, he became dehydrated and extremely sick. He was then flown by helicopter to Children's Hospital in Washington D.C., where he was hospitalized and treated for Diabetes Ketoacidosis (DKA) for three days, due to the high level of sugar in his



Kenny Skoug is proud to wear his 'Red Rider' shirt for the Tour de Cure.

the Brighton Tour the Cure

Ride, scheduled for June 5 at

Brighton High School. About

43 states hold events like this

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ride between 10 to 100 miles

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for the ADA. The Brighton

event is the biggest diabetes

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\$400,000. For more informa-

tion, call 1-888 DIABETES or

The Skoug family formed

Team Kenny" and will par-

ticipate in the Tour the Cure

funds for ADA, Team Kenny

will hold a "Ride for Kenny"

event on Sunday, April 11,

from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM,

at Trail's Edge Bike Shop in

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Drive and can ride any dis-

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invited to join Team Kenny

or donate to the cause. The

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As Youth Ambassador, Kenny raises awareness about diabetes and shares his perspective of living with the disease. Since his diagnosis in 2008, he has endured thousands of finger pokes, painful insulin shots, erratic blood sugar levels and constant carbohydrate counting.

Despite all this, Kenny doesn't let diabetes stop him from doing the things he loves.

"I'm joining a Little League baseball team and at recess, I get to run hard a lot and I get to play stuff like wall ball and basketball and even though I may have a little blood sugar, I still can go out and exercise if I want to," Kenny said. "The worst is to have to take shots repetitively over and over - for me at least four times a day."

Fortunately, Kenny will soon use his new insulin pump, which is an alternative to the multiple daily injections.

Recently, Kenny shared his story at a kickoff event for

According to the American Diabetes Association, early detection of diabetes symptoms and treatment may decrease the chance of developing the complication of diabetes. Here's what ADA officials say to look for:

FIGHTING DIABETES

· Symptoms for type 1 diabetes: frequent urination, unusual thirst, extreme hunger, unusual weight loss and extreme fatigue and irritability.

· Symptoms for type 2 diabetes: any type 1 symptoms, frequent infections, blurred vision, cuts/ bruises that are slow to heal, tingling/numbness in the hands/ feet and recurring skin, gum, or bladder infections. People with type 2 diabetes may have no symptoms.

For more information, visit www. diabetes.org.

cost is \$10 per person and 100 percent of donations will go to ADA. Another fund-raiser will be held May 1 at Plaza Lanes in Plymouth.

The Skougs consider themselves fortunate because DKA is potentially life-threatening and Kenny received help before it was too late. Mr. Skoug said, "We've met a couple of people whose kids went into comas [because of diabetes]," Ken Skoug said. "Diabetes is a very serious thing." They are proud of their son, who shows courage and acts responsibly as he lives with diabetes.

The Skougs "welcome everyone to be a part of Team Kenny today," and said they're "extremely thankful for any and all support." For more information, visit www.TeamKenny4. com or send questions/sign up at: TeamKenny@teamkenny4. com.



Gavin French





Plymouth students among winners of art contest

Julius Badoni, a senior at Arizona State University, says he's been drawing since the day he was born. But his artwork is more than a passion. The 25-year-old Navajo art and business major says he wants to use his work to convey important messages in hopes that people will take action. His latest piece incorporates symbols of perseverance, tribal pride, and strength, while encouraging Native Americans to participate in the Census.

Badoni is among 15 winners of the National Congress of American Indians' (NCAI) Indian Country Counts national art competition for pre-kindergarten to post-secondary Native students. NCAI created the Indian Country Counts campaign in partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau to aid tribes with the count and ensure an accurate enumeration of all Native people.

Three Plymouth students are among the other contest winners:

· Gavin French, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe, Pre-K-Kindergarten (ages 4-5), first

· Trevor French, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe, Grades 1-3, first

· Shayla French, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe, Plymouth, Grades 4-6, first place.

Historically, American Indians and Alaska Natives are among the nation's hardest populations to count because of a mistrust of the federal government, as well as linguistic, geographical, and cultural challenges. American Indians were severely undercounted in past Censuses. The Census Bureau estimates that over 12 percent of Native people on reservations were missed in the 1990 census and over 4 percent in 2000.

NCAI received 85 art entries from Native students ages 4 to 48 representing more than a 100 tribal nations across the U.S. The entries depicted creation stories, tribal symbols, or the American flag, with many incorporating the Census and NCAI's campaign theme, "2010 Census: Our People. Our Nations. Our

Future.

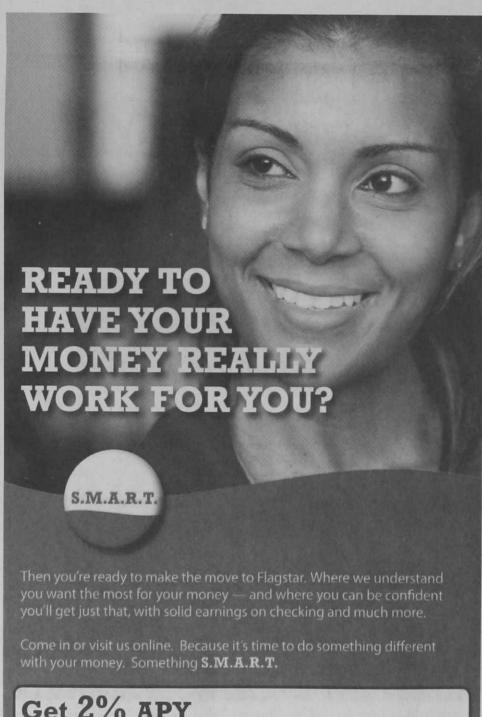
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Five judges, including three representatives from the National Museum of the American Indian, volunteered to assist in evaluating each art piece. All of the eligible submissions were judged on five aspects: 1) interpretation and articulation of the theme; 2) originality - freshness of aspect, design, or style; 3) creativity - whether the piece generated new ideas or concepts; 4) composition; and 5) presentation - whether the visual display left an impression.



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Glenn's football team scores by reading to students



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John Glenn High School football players Bonji Bonner, reading 'Bennie's Pennies,' and teammate Brian Fawley read to Camp Read-a-Lot students at Walker-Winter Elementary School in Canton.

BY SUE MASON OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Renee Laird got a chuckle out of students standing in line with pencil and paper in hand waiting for an autograph. The objection of their admiration members of the John Glenn High School football team's Leadership Council who were at Walker-Winter Elementary School to read to youngsters.

"One fourth-grader walked up to me and said, 'These are our professionals," said Laird, a paraprofessional at the Canton school.

The players also drew a crowd at Elliott Elementary in Westland where there were hugs from Principal Johnnie Sommerville for two players who had attended the school.

"I'm kind of embarrassed because I got into a lot of trouble when I was here," said junior D'Vonteono Anderson, whose younger brother,

Charles, attends the school. "I don't want his class, he talks too much," Anderson

Each year, football coach Tim Hardin selects 15-20 players, mostly seniors, to be on his Leadership Council and works with them to become leaders. They're expected to do community service like being guest readers at the two elementary

"They look forward to it, I make it mandatory," he said. "Normally, I have 12-15 players and that's not enough, so I ask for volunteers. I always get more than enough."

Hardin credits Elliott paraprofessional Mary Kanopka with the idea of the players coming in to read to students. It was an easy fit, since Kanopka is on the football

booster club's executive board She brought it up the leadership council and asked for them to come and read at the

players love it. They walk into the school so big and proud."

"They read to every single class," said Kanopka. "We divide them into groups of two players, but the first-graders get more one-on-one

At Elliott, students were assigned to escort the players to the classrooms. Among the group waiting for their arrival was Destiny Johnson. a fourth-grader. Kanopka described her as a "very good student, very responsible," which made her smile, but what made her smile more was saying that "my cousin is a football player.'

Junior Cameron Orr like Anderson has relatives attending Elliott, his niece.

"Yeah, I'll take her room," he said, waiting for his class assignment.

Out at Walker-Winter, the players discovered the school had a camp theme this year,

with tents all around and a camp area where players took students to read.

"It was cute, the teens got a kick out of it," said Laird, whose son Andrew is on Glenn's offensive line. "They commented on how cool the

school was and that 'we never had a camp.' Reading isn't the only activity the players do at Walker-Winter. They'll be back later this spring to help with the school's field day and also do the same at Madison

Elementary in Westland. "I think for the little boys, they need to know it's important to keep reading," said Laird. "That's what they stress to them, that they've got to

Standing in the lobby at Elliott, junior Kameron Jones was read to read.

"I want the Cat in the Hat, so I can tell them not to do

Realtors get up close with Wayne-Westland Schools

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The size of the crowd in the commons of the William D. Ford Career Technical Center Tuesday was a sign of the times. The number of Realtors who turned out for the Wayne-Westland Community Schools annual Realtors Luncheon was less than a third of what it was just two years ago.

"It's nothing anyone here has done, many are not here and it's the direct result of the structural problem facing our state," said Superintendent Greg Baracy.

This is the 11th year the district has invited Realtors to lunch to hear about the good things happening in the school district, but this year's goods news was tempered by the closing of six elementary schools and the reconfiguring of the remaining elementary buildings to K-four schools with two middle schools being made over for fifth-sixthgrades. The changes have been prompted by a steady decline in state funding and a loss of students - 160,000 statewide.

'We're seeing a flight out of the state and it's affecting every school district, that has a huge impact on our finances," Baracy told the Realtors, pointing to a chart that showed the district's enrollment dropping from 14,926 in 1998-99 to the current 12,370 students this school year and state revenue declining from \$117 million in 2006-07 to \$107 million this year.

According to Baracy, the district must trim \$15 million

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in expenses per year to get through the next two years and hopefully to the start of a recovery in the state.

"It's a huge challenge," he said. "If we don't find a solution, we'll be in trouble two years out.

"Closing six elementary schools isn't easy to do, but it's what we had to do to preserve our educational program," he said. "As we better utilize our resources, we can better align classes.

The gloominess was a backdrop for what the district is doing to maintain its educational program and the good things that will be possible with the reconfiguration. Of interest to Realtors is a new feature on the district's Web site that allows potential homeowners to see exactly what schools their children will attend from kindergarten through the 12th grade, based on the address, a program set up as part of preparation to



Wayne-Westland School Supt. Greg Baracy talks to Realtors about the financial crisis in the state and what the school district is doing to maintain its educational program.

begin closing schools this year. Wayne-Westland will now be able to offer classes in music, a gifted and talented curriculum and more advanced classes

and foreign languages. "We have hundreds of kids interested in instrumental

music and we can offer programs for gifted and talented children at no extra cost. said Deputy Superintendent Charlotte Sherman. "We can offer more advanced classes and languages at the seveneight level because of what

we're doing with five-six." She added that schools have

already started welcoming their new students with activities like family nights and pen pal programs.

"We're proud of the way our parents and administrators and staff have stepped to welcome families to their new buildings," she added. "And we'll still have an elementary feel at the five-six buildings.

"There is no fear here in doing the right thing, this school board is working hard to position us to make it through the next two years," he added.

Baracy also used the gettogether to push for passage of a 18-mill nonhomestead tax renewal that will be on the May 4 school election ballot. The renewal is required every 15 years and commercial, industrial and some personal property The tax generates \$19.5 million for the school district. If rejected by voters, it would mean "more devastating cuts," Baracy said.

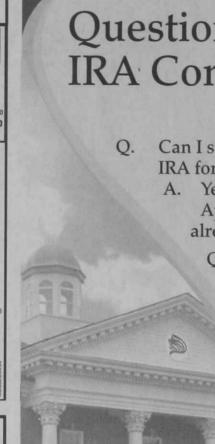


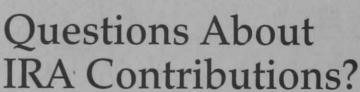


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Pastors share message of Easter joy, renewal

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The message of Jesus Christ's resurrection is what pastors most hope people will take from today's Easter observances.

"We put a lot of emphasis on Easter because it's all about the resurrection," said the Rev. Rick Henry, administrative pastor at First Baptist Church of Canton. His church and others will have pews full in part of worshipers who attend just at Easter and Christmas.

"We welcome all of them," Henry said. "We preach the same message that we would whether they're here or not." He finds that message does get through and those who haven't attended church before come back.

The resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ," Henry said of today's significance. "Their relationship with him, if they have one. It's always had an important part on our church calendar every year.

First Baptist Church of Canton is at the northwest corner of Sheldon and Cherry Hill. The church hosts Sunday school 9:30 a.m. and Easter worship at 10:45 a.m.

The Rev. James Skimins, senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, welcomes new worshipers to his congregation on Church Street, just off of Main near City Hall in downtown Plymouth. There will be a 9 a.m. Easter Sunday service, with two 10:30 a.m. services,

both traditional and con-

The Plymouth church will draw about 800 worshipers plus children today, he said. The congregational mix is increasingly younger which is interesting," Skimins said. Younger members like structure and form to worship as long as it's not too

Things are beginning to show some uptick, at least in the church," Skimins said, noting new residents moving in, "which is quite encouraging.'

He'll focus Sunday preaching on the resurrection opportunity. "We have the opportunity to make things new" and better. First Presbyterian helps in Haiti and with work in Africa.

To make the world a better place, that's what Christians are called to do," said Skimins, who was recently in New Zealand and met a resident he'll quote today: "Stop talking about it - get up and

Young people at his church do volunteer work in Detroit, and the congregation has a thrift shop in Plymouth's Old Village. "There's all sorts of things you can do," Skimins said.

Making family life better is also important. "I would say take time just to be thankful," he said. There can be a journey of renewal in family life, a time to focus and regroup.

"Look at Easter as a time to renew," said Skimins.

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Estate planning essential for everyone, not just rich

Q: Dear Rick: I have a couple of estate planning questions. Is life insurance subject to estate taxes? I know this year there is no estate tax. A friend of mine says they can change the law and make it retroactive. I say they cannot. What is your opinion.

A: Your estate, for tax purposes, is the fair market value of everything you own at the time of your death. The estate includes all investments, personal items, home - basically

A life insurance policy is part of the estate. It doesn't matter who the beneficiary of the policy is — the issue is who is the owner. For example, if you had a \$250,000 life insurance policy and the beneficiary was your children, that \$250,000 would be included in your estate for estate tax purposes

Many people think life insurance is tax-free, but that is incorrect. It may be income tax-free, but not estate taxfree. Therefore, the proceeds of any life insurance policies are included in your estate.

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Rick Bloom

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As a side note, many people buy life insurance for estate tax purposes. I am very cautious about recommending this strategy. On the whole, it is not something I recommend. However, there are situations where life insurance for estate tax purposes may be appropriate. Typically, those are for estates that are in the multimillion-dollar areas. For the great majority of people, buying life insurance merely for estate tax purposes makes no sense. Buying life insurance to provide liquidity or to support a loved one is a different issue.

As to our current estate tax law, you are correct that at this time there are no estate taxes.

When Congress changed the estate tax law many years ago, it was a temporary fix. It was assumed that before 2010 the law would change. However, we all know how Washington works and because of all of the partisan bickering, the estate tax law has not changed.

However, that doesn't mean it won't. Unfortunately, it is possible and constitutionally permissible for Congress to pass a law with regards to estate taxes that would be retroactive to the beginning of this year. In fact, I would go as far to say that it is probably more likely than not that Congress will pass some sort of estate tax law this year and make it retroactive to the

beginning of the year. Congress can and has made laws retroactive.

Most Americans do not have to worry about estate taxes. However, that doesn't mean that you don't have to worry about estate planning.

I don't believe taxation is the most important element of estate planning, but I do believe it is one element. The most important point when

it comes to estate planning is making sure your property goes to your loved ones as fast and as painlessly as possible.

I sometimes joke that the goal of estate planning is to make sure that judges, courts and lawyers stay out of your family affairs. The reality is we all are going to leave this great Earth and whether we have a large estate or a very small estate, we all have to make sure we make things as easy as possible on our loved ones.

Most of us want to protect our loved ones and families throughout our lives, so we shouldn't forget about that upon our deaths. Therefore, there's no doubt that if you have a large estate, taxes are a consideration and to minimize those makes sense.

However, let's not forget that estate planning is for every adult, no matter how rich or poor.

Good luck!

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Mild weather brings out crowds for annual 'Drop'

Observer & Eccentric | Sunday, April 4, 2010

They looked like jumbo snowflakes falling from the sky, but actually 20,000 marshmallows dumped from a helicopter circling over the Nankin Mills area of Hines Park Friday morning.

Welcome to the 2010 Wayne County Parks Marshmallow drop where the goal is to retrieve a marshmallow and turn it in for a treat.

The falling marshmallows were a delight to see for hundreds of children, who waited to collect the goodies. The

children were divided into groups based on age, to make sure each and everyone had a chance to participate

This is the 26th year Wayne County Parks has held the Marshmallow Drop at Nankin Mills in Westland and Elizabeth Park in Trenton. Unseasonably mild weather brought out a giant crowd of kids ready, willing and able to scramble once the marshmallows hit the ground. A non-competitive, youngsters only need one marshmallow to receive a treat.



David Watt waits with daughter Sophie for the marshmallows to be dropped.



Parents and their children work their way to the open area at Nankin Mills where the Marshmallow Drop takes place.



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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sliding safely into third base during Thursday's season opener is Plymouth's Kevin Lozier. The Wildcats won 9-8 over Ypsilanti-Lincoln, but the second game of the scheduled twinbill was called due to darkness.

New era opens for Wildcats

BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Bryan Boyd's early take on his new baseball team is it's smart and savvy

- on the diamond or in the classroom. According to Boyd, who is Plymouth's new varsity baseball head coach (taking over from Chuck Adams, who stepped down), his Wildcats feature energy, camaraderie and attention to detail on

And it has a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 as a team, with multiple National Honor Society members.

Doing things right and getting after it could help the young Wildcats be a factor in the KLAA South Division.

With intensity in practice, consistency will come," Boyd said. "This team is young, but has the potential to be

good if they buy in and work hard every

Having two sharp catchers is a strong start. Plymouth will either have sophomore Rich Guglielmi or junior "energy guy" Phil Emminger behind the dish.

"Catching is going to be one of our strengths," Boyd said. "Both of these guys could start for a lot of teams in the

Emminger also can play outfield and will lead off Plymouth's lineup. "He's been stinging the ball this spring.

Pitching to those catchers will be a starting staff comprised of junior lefthander Mike Nadratowski, junior righty Harrison Michels and two of the following three candidates - juniors Ryan Nick, Zach Yokom and senior Andy Dodge.

"Mike's going to get the ball in big

games," said Boyd about Nadratowski, who was the winning pitcher in Thursday's opener against Ypsilanti-

As for Michels, who pitched three solid innings in the nightcap (called due to darkness), "Harrison has worked hard all winter to put himself in position to be our No. 2 starter."

Rounding out the bullpen, along with whoever does not get the third or fourth starter's job, will be seniors Jackson Burdette, Matt Priebe and Erik Lee.

"All three are big, strong guys who we hope can come in for an inning or two and be lights out," the coach said.

All of the pitchers will benefit from

Please see PLYMOUTH, B3

Ohio trip first up for Rocks

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Looming around the corner for Salem's baseball team is an April 12 tilt with campus rival Canton, which will get KLAA action going for both squads.

But Rocks head coach Dale Rumberger is first preparing his players for this week's trip to Ohio where Salem (23-11 in 2009) will play a handful of games Thursday through Saturday.

With no returning starters, those games could be beneficial in helping Salem smooth out any wrinkles ahead of conference play.

Rumberger also will use those games to decide on who will be his starting nine - with plenty of excellent competition at virtually every spot.

Please see SALEM, B3



One of Salem's returnees is Chris Kordick, shown pitching during a 2009 game.

SIDELINES

Whalers in early hole

The first game of the much-anticipated Ontario Hockey League playoff series between Tyler Seguin's Plymouth Whalers and Taylor Hall's Windsor Spitfires was a lopsided affair, with the host Spits skating to a 5-1 victory at WFCU Centre.

Plymouth fell behind 3-0 in the Round 2 opener Thursday night on Windsor goals by Scott Timmins, Adam Henrique and Ryan Ellis before Ryan Hayes gave the Whalers a bit of hope with a marker late in the second period (assisted by Michel Jordan). It was Hayes' sixth goal this playoff season.

But Windsor continued peppering Plymouth netminder and ex-Spitfire Matt Hackett (35 stops) and Hall netted his seventh and eighth goals of the playoffs, both assisted by Ellis.

As for Seguin, who along with Hall are the projected 1-2 picks in June's National Hockey League Entry Draft, it wasn't the best of nights. He finished with a minus-3 and spent two minutes in the penalty box.

Making 27 saves for the victory for Windsor was winning goalie Philipp Grubauer.

Plymouth was set to try to even the series with a game Saturday night at Compuware Arena, which took place after this issue of the Observer went to press.

Check-up 5K

The Spring "Check-up" 5-kilometer run-walk will be at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 11, at the Belle Isle Remick Music Shell in Detroit.

The event will raise awareness for Detroit's uninsured and the importance of primary care for all. It will benefit The Robert R. Frank Student Run Free Clinic and the Wayne State University School of Medicine Chapter of the AMA.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

When 90-year-old Ruth Lindke needs a friend or someone to help her bowl, she often turns to teammate Lynn Walgenbach (left), who is only 71.

No handicap here

Spunky 90-year-old bowler doesn't let bad eyesight stop her

BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Monday morning bowling for senior citizens at Super Bowl only costs Canton's Lynn Walgenbach seven dollars each week.

For that, Walgenbach enjoys three games, complimentary coffee and donuts ... and the chance to bowl with his "priceless" teammate - 90-yearold Ruth Lindke, who averages 103 pins despite being legally blind.

Lindke also likes the deal, since she's still able to do something she enjoys so much that she also bowls on Fridays.

"It helps me because I get out of the house," Lindke said. "... I know a lot of these people, we've been friends for years."

Without the 71-year-old Walgenbach, however, her efforts might not be as successful.

Please see RUTH, B3

ALL ABOUT RUTH

Who: Ruth Lindke, 90, of Canton.

What: She is a a longtime member of Canton Super Bowl's Monday morning league for senior citizens. Ruth averages 103 despite being legally blind.

Help from Lynn: Lindke is able to bowl with important guidance from teammate Lynn Walgenbach, who keeps her posted every frame about which pins remain stand-

Miscellaneous: The mother of three moved to the Canton area about five decades ago and worked 20 years at Montgomery Ward. Her extended family includes three grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and two great, great-grandchildren.

BTW: Ruth also bowls in a Friday league at Super Bowl, but had to bow out of a third league because, according to Walgenbach, "She said she was getting too old."

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State placers headline All-Area swim team

Matt Collingwood, 200 free, Salem: Collingwood enjoyed plenty of success his junior season for the Rocks, collecting All-State honors with a sixth place finish in the 500 free at the Division 1 state finals in Holland (4:44.12).

In the 200 free, Collingwood's ninthplace time of 1:45.34 earned him a spot on the D1 All-State first team

The team's Most Valuable Swimmer already is one of Salem's captains for 2010-11 and carries a 3.50 grade-point

Meanwhile, Collingwood earned All-KLAA Kensington Conference honors in the 200 free and 100 free

"Matt can do it all, sprint, distance, any stroke," said veteran Salem coach Chuck Olson

Victor Zhang, 200 IM, Canton: The future is extremely bright for the sophomore, but he's already accomplished a great deal. Zhang set personal bests in every event he swam, was voted Canton MVP by his teammates and worked tirelessly to improve.

"He was one of the hardest workers on the team and it showed at the end of the season," said Chiefs head coach David Le, referring to Zhang placing second in the 200 IM (1:54.15) and fifth in the 100 backstroke (55.23) at the Division 1 state finals in Holland.

Zhang's time in the IM qualified him for All-American consideration and he is currently 88th in the country in that event. He also earned All-State honors for both events.

"I look forward to the next two years with Victor," Le said. "He is a very impressive swimmer and tremendous

competitor to watch. Aaren Marecki, 50 free, Stevenson: The senior placed third in the Division 150 freestyle and ninth in the 100 free-

style at the state finals. His best clocking in the 50 freestyle was 21.52 and he led the area in the 100 freestyle with a 47.73.

Marecki was also Kensington Conference champion in both freestyle events, and anchored both the 200 and

400 freestyle relay teams at the state "Aaren was our fastest sprinter this year," Stevenson coach Jeff Shoemaker said. "He is still working on what college he would like to swim for. He has the potential to compete and do well at the next level. His times and leadership abil-

ity will be almost impossible to replace. I enjoyed being able to coach Aaren and look forward to seeing him swim at the Bryce Beyer, diving, Farmington-

Harrison: Beyer, who placed eighth in the Division 1 state meet, is Farmington High School's first all-state diver since Jeff Thomas nearly 15 years ago. He scored 361.05 points in the state meet, but he had an area best of 407.65 at the Lakeland Invitational, breaking the school record for an 11-dive meet.

"Bryce is one of the most unique divers ever to come into the program," coach Ross Bandy said. "He's among the few divers who have made an impact on the swim team. He really was a part of the team. He wasn't a kid off to the side just doing his own thing.

"Bryce went to all the team functions. It wasn't a matter of him being a senior captain. He made it a point to cheer for his teammates and show he was a big part of the team."

Mickey McNeece, 100 fly, N. Farmington: McNeece rebounded from an early-season illness to have a solid finish. He placed fifth in the butterfly at the Division 2 state meet with a best time of 51.87, and he also earned 10th place

in the IM, swimming another personal record of 2:00.93. "Mickey was a solid contributor to the team his whole time at North," coach Mike Harfoot said. "He had some tough hick and ran into mono in December, and he tried to come back as best he

could. "He had four terrific swims at state. He had four lifetime bests and did a great job for us. We had to change some eason-ending goals once he got sick. As for the goals we set, he achieved them and then some. We're very happy for

Cameron Wasko, 100 free, N. Farmington: Wasko swam his lifetime best of 48.31 in the finals of the Division 2 state meet and earned 10th place. He also was 14th in the 50 freestyle and had

his best time of 22.31 in the prelims. "Cam is a tremendous swimmer," coach Mike Harfoot said. "He's really **ALL-OBSERVER BOYS** SWIMMING & DIVING INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

200-yard freestyle: 1. Matt Collingwood, junior, Salem; 2. Noah Santer, sophomore, Salem. 200 individual medley: 1. Victor

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Zhang, sophomore, Canton; 2. Max Mills, junior, Salem.

50 freestyle: 1. Aaren Marecki, senior, Livonia Stevenson; 2. Matt Lederer, senior, Farmington-Harrison.

One-meter diving: 1. Bryce Beyer, senior, Farmington-Harrison; 2. Cody Roe, senior, Westland John Glenn.

100 butterfly: 1. Mickey McNeece. senior, North Farmington; 2. Ethan Christensen, junior, Plymouth.

100 freestyle: 1. Cameron Wasko. junior, North Farmington; 2. Mohamed Ghoteimi, senior, Livonia Stevenson. 500 freestyle: 1. Adam Seroka,

junior, Salem; 2. Danny Schoff, senior, Livonia Stevenson 100 backstroke: 1. Kellen Schoff,

junior, Livonia Stevenson; 2. John Ferrara, freshman, Livonia Stevenson. 100 breaststroke: 1. Jake

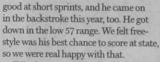
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RELAY TEAMS 200-yard medley: 1. Livonia Stevenson (jr. Kellen Schoff, soph. Jake McNamara, sr. Adam Dabkowski, sr. Mohamed Ghoteimi), 2. Salem (soph. Jeremy Wellman, ir. Adam. Seroka, soph. Noah Santer, sr. Chad

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400 freestyle: 1. Livonia Stevenson (jr. Kellen Schoff, sr. Mohamed Ghoteimi, sr. Adam Dabkowski, sr. Aaren Marecki), 2. Salem (jr. Matt Collingwood, soph. Noah Santer, jr. Max Mills, jr. Adam

> COACH OF THE YEAR David Le, Canton



"His times were stagnant for the last year, but he got his personal best in the 100 and just missed in the 50. We're looking forward to him dropping more time next year. He got a lot stronger this year, too. He did a lot of work in the weight room, and it really paid off."

Adam Seroka, 500 free, Salem: There's pretty much nothing the multi-talented Seroka can't do in the pool, earning All-State honors in the 200 IM and 500 free as well as All-American consideration in the former event.

Seroka placed first in the 500 free at the D1 state finals in Holland with a mark of 4:40.66 seconds, but the junior actually bested that during the season with a 4:46.20 to set a KLAA Kensington Conference record. The Salem co-captain also excels in the classroom, with a 3.97 grade-point average.

In the IM, Seroka's time of 1:55.56 at the state finals earned him third place in that event, right behind Canton's Victor

"Adam is one of the most versatile and talented swimmers in the state," said Olson, who is happy to know Seroka will return next season (when he'll be a cap-

tain for his third consecutive year). Kellen Schoff, 100 back, Stevenson: The junior enjoyed a highly productive state meet finishing third in the back stroke (52.87) and sixth in the 200 IM

His school-record 100 backstroke time earned All-American consideration. He was also Kensington

Conference champion in the 200 IM. "Kellen will be returning next year as one of the premier swimmers in the state," Shoemaker said. "I look forward to coaching Kellen next year and have even more success. His talents have only

just started to surface. Jake McNamara, 100 breaststroke, Stevenson: The sophomore ranked third

Matt Collingwood

Kellen Schoff

Stevenson

Max Mills

Bryce Bever

Conference meet.

Division 1 prelims.

ming career.

Farmington Harrison

in the area in the 100 breaststroke with a

a fifth-place finish in the Kensington

He wound up 35th overall in the

"Jake was another underclassmen

said. "As a freshmen Jake had a great

year and was able to continue that suc-

cess this year. He earned his state cut

and swam the breaststroke leg in our

200 medley relay. Jake is very dedi-

cated to this sport and his work ethic

is remarkable. I would expect Jake to

become very success on the state level in

the second half of his high school swim-

200 medley, Stevenson: This relay

quartet took fourth in the Kensington

16th overall in Division 1 (1:40.14).

by seniors Adam Dabkowski and

Mohamed Ghoteimi, while junior

sophomore Jake McNamara.

Schoff was the lead-off leg followed by

the end of the year I wasn't sure if we

were going to be able to score this relay

at the state meet. With a big pull from

seniors, this relay was able to score this

stroke leg, was also very crucial in the

some of Adam Dabkowski (senior),

Brandon Bielicki (sophomore),

going 1:28.69 in the prelims.

Kensington Conference meet.

success of this relay."

year. "McNamara, who swam the breast-

200 freestyle, Stevenson: The four-

Mohamed Ghoteimi (senior) and Aaren

Stevenson also was runner-up in the

"In 2006 Stevenson set the Division

1 state record in this event," Shoemaker

said. "Though this year we were not as

fast, we were still able to score this relay

at the state meet and receive All-State

of Kellen Schoff, Mohamed Ghoteimi,

Adam Dabkowski and Aaren Marecki

earned All-State honors with a seventh

The Spartans were also Kensington

at the Division 1 finals in 3:13.49 after

going 3:13.67 in the prelims.

400 freestyle, Stevenson: The quartet

Marecki (senior) placed seventh in the

Division 1 state finals in 1:28.31 after

"This relay struggled throughout the

ar," Shoemaker said. "Actually, toward

Conference meet (1:40.11) and wound up

The back-end legs were performed

FIRST-TEAM RELAYS

that has kept dropping time," Shoemaker

season best of 1:03.35, which earned him 3:14.33.



Victor Zhang Canton

Jake McNamara

Stevenson

Matt Lederer

Tim Castle

Plymouth





Aaren Marecki

Adam Dabkowski

Stevenson



Mickey McNeece North Farmington

Stevenson

Ethan Christensen

Plymouth



Cameron Wasko North Farmington



Adam Seroka Salem



Mohamed Ghoteimi Brandon Bielicki Stevenson



Noah Santer



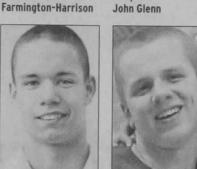
Danny Schoff



Stevenson



John Ferrara Stevenson



Cody Roe

Jeremy Wellman

Conference champions with meet record

time and made the All-American con-

sideration time standard," Shoemaker

at the state meet ensured our team an

overall place of sixth among all Division

SECOND-TEAM INDIVIDUALS

Noah Santer, 200 free, Salem: Santer

made a big impact as a sophomore, being

named to the D1 second team while

being a state qualifier in the 200- and

500-free, 200 medley and free relays

At the D1 finals in Holland, Santer's

"He's a great team player," said Olson

leg of 50.12 seconds helped Salem finish

12th in the 400 free relay with a com-

about Santer, who carries a 3.72 grade-

point average. "He's willing to swim

whatever is needed for the team to be

Max Mills, 200 IM, Salem: The junior

was Salem's most improved swimmer

er (he'll be a captain in 2010-11).

this season and emerged as a team lead-

Mills was on the D1 second team in

the IM, having finished 23rd with a time

of 2:01.93 and also was 18th place at the

free, he carries a 3.53 grade-point aver-

age and is described by Olson as being

after it in every event, no matter the

Harrison: Lederer swam the area's

"a great competitor" who is game to get

Matt Lederer, 50 free, Farmington-

second-fastest time and a school record

(21.83) in the prelims at the D-1 state

heat and finishing in seventh place

(21.95). He also swam a best time of

meet, qualifying for the championship

52.28 in the butterfly prelims and was

all-state in that event, too, with a sixth-

place finish (52.35). Lederer is the first

Farmington swimmer to be all-state in

Ross Bandy said. "He's truly a remark-

able young man and a great individual.

He contributed so much over the last

three years. For the last two years, he's

been the one to do the best training and

"Matt is one of the finest swimmers

"It's quite an accomplishment," coach

two events in nearly 20 years.

set the pace and the standard.

An all-conference honoree in the 500

state meet in the 500 free (4:51.95).

and 400 free relay.

bined time of 3:16.67.

successful.

said. "The effort of these four boys placed

"At the state meet they dropped a little



Chad Newton Salem



Ian Landau



David Le Canton coach

North Farmington to come out of Farmington High. He's

year. We will struggle to fill his events

himself, although he's very proud of his accomplishments. Cody Roe, diving, John Glenn: The senior captured the KLAA South Division title, placed fourth in the Kensington Conference (320.70 points) and took 16th at the Division 1 regional.

a unique young man, not one to boast

or make a whole lot of hoopla about

His season best was 333.00 points at the division meet.

"He was a three-year diving regional qualifier and captain for two years," Glenn coach Bob Harding said. "He's a great kid, good student and will be Ethan Christensen, 100 fly, Plymouth:

Christensen is an "extremely hard worker (who) finishes all sets in practice," said Wildcats head coach Doug Schade. That work ethic is a reason why the junior has reduced his time in the event from 1:09 as a freshman to a school record and personal best 55.45 this season. At the

"He's very coachable and willing to make whatever changes the coaches ask him to make," Schade added. "He's one of our team leaders."

Christensen already was nominated by his teammates to be a co-captain in 2010-11. Mohamed Ghoteimi, 100 free,

Stevenson: The senior ranked seventh in the area in the 100 freestyle (50.08) He finished 11th in the Kensington

Conference meet (50.98) in the 100 "Mohamed was a big member for all

three scoring state relays," Shoemaker said. "He accomplished his state cut in the 100 freestyle in the last swim meet of the year. Mohamed plans on attending Wayne State University and is one of the finalist for a full four-year academic scholarship. He plans on swimming for Wayne State where he will only get Danny Schoff, 500 free, Stevenson:

The senior placed 16th at the Division 1 state finals in 4:50.89 after placing third in the Kensington Conference meet.

"Danny was our main distance swimmer for this season," Shoemaker said. "He reached his state cut early in the year and continued to drop time. He was one of only three swimmers to score in an individual event at the state meet this

and times for next year. I enjoyed coaching Danny. His humor and antics will be missed on the pool deck next year." John Ferrara, 100 back, Stevenson:

John Ferrara had an amazing swim season this year. Coming into the program John had swimming background and was a nice new addition. John worked very hard all season and continued to drop time meet after meet. He received his state cut time and was one of only a handful of freshmen at the state meet. John established himself this year and his name is now recognized around the

Tim Castle, 100 breast, Plymouth: The senior came over from Redford Thurston and made plenty of noise with his new team, qualifying for the DI state meet while enjoying a personal best time of Wildcats head coach Doug Schade

said Castle "did an amazing job of accepting new ideas as our program is

"Tim worked really hard to improve all aspects of his 100 breaststroke this season," including underwater video analysis of starts and turns.

Schade said Castle swam all season with a shoulder injury, "so most of the improvement he made was off technique

SECOND-TEAM RELAYS

200 medley, Salem: The team of sophomore backstroker Jeremy Wellman, Seroka (breaststroke), Santer (butterfly) and senior freestyler and cocaptain Chad Newton finished 23rd at the DI state finals with a time of 1:42.75

earning it second team honors. Wellman (29.93), Seroka (27.93), Santer (25.24) and Newton (23.65) all were strong at the Holland-hosted finals but also combined talents to place eighth at the Kensington Conference meet.

Coach Olson said they have "a lot of potential to score" at next season's D1

200 freestyle, North Farmington: The team of Cameron Wasko, Ian Landau, Ethan Gell and Mickey McNeece had a season-best time of 1:31.01 in the Division 2 state prelims and finished 14th in the finals.

"Cam and Mickey did a great job on Please see SWIM, B3

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FINAL BOYS SWIM LISTING

NOTICE

The Wayne Housing Commission has completed revisions to its 2010 Admissions and Continued Occupancy Plan (ACOP) and its Lease Agreement. The ACOP and Lease Agreement are available for review at the Wayne Housing Commission office located at 4001 S Wayne Rd., Wayne, MI 48184. The Commission's hours of operation are 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday. In addition a public hearing will be held, to give interested parties the opportunity to comment on the revisions of the ACOP and Lease Agreement on Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. at the Wayne

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A140 Amanda Sills

B113 Edward Watkins

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C107 Denise Namyslowski

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Joe Rudelic (Salem) 259.05
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It's a start

Plymouth overcomes early deficit, late errors to win Game 1

BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The start of the 2010 baseball season wasn't pretty for Plymouth, but the host Wildcats and first-year head coach Bryan Boyd were at least happy to come away with a 9-8 nonconference win over Ypsilanti-Lincoln.

A seven-run fourth, aided by three errors - two of them enabling runs to score - helped Plymouth overcome a 4-2 deficit and go up 1-0 in the young

Thursday's second game of the scheduled doubleheader was canceled due to darkness after three innings, with the Wildcats leading 2-1.

"We got to play ball," Boyd said. "You know what, right now it's all about getting better. We need to be prepared for South Lyon on April 12th, and that's why we play these out-of-conference games so when the conference schedule comes we're ready for those guys."

Plymouth's KLAA opener against the Lions will be preceded by a twinbill Tuesday at Milan (ranked No. 9 in Class B) and games in Cincinnati, Ohio, next weekend.

Boyd said his team wasn't its sharpest, but he expects that to change before too long.

"We need to be better and they know that," Boyd said. "We need to be more fundamentally sound and we will be. This was the first time we've been out here.

These guys (Railsplitters) played Tuesday so they had a leg up on us. But from where we were Tuesday in our scrimmage, we were heads and tails better. I saw a lot of good things."

an excellent infield defense, spearheaded by

sophomore shortstop Ben Wohl and sopho-

very passionate about playing the game."

more second baseman Jimmy May. "Both are

first (when he's not pitching) and either Nick,

Yokom, Dodge or senior Kevin Lozier at third.

In the outfield, Nadratowski is set to play

him will be Michaels and Emminger along

center on days he isn't on the mound. Flanking

with juniors Chase Zebari, Jeff Heuer and Jake

Boyd said his lineup is taking shape, too,

with Emminger and contact-hitting May in the

"Mike and Matt are going to be the heart of

Other likely starters will include Tyler Goble,

1-2 spots followed by Nadratowski and Priebe.

our order," Boyd said. "As they go, so will our

who plays hard all the time, designated hit-

ter Burdette, Lozier (showing potential at the

Boyd also likes the makeup of his squad,

plate) and Guglielmi, who "has a smooth stroke

At the corners will be heavy-hitting Priebe at

FROM, PAGE B1

Beauchamp.

Boyd didn't like the way start-ing pitcher Mike Nadratowski gave up singles to the first five batters he faced in the opener while falling behind 3-0 in the top of the first.

'Mike was getting the ball up early on, and he'll be the first one to tell you that," Boyd said. "As time went on he got into a little bit of a groove.

But he did like how the junior lefty kept battling on the mound while helping his own cause with a triple to right-center - keying a two-run bottom of the first to trim Ypsi-Lincoln's lead to 3-2.

Andrew Dillon's homer to left in the top of the third made it a 4-2 game, and the Railsplitters (1-1) were looking to add another run in the fourth.

With two runners on and two outs, Kyle Deuel ripped a grounder up the middle that would have plated a run if not for a diving stop by junior second baseman Jimmy May. He then shoveled a toss from behind the bag to junior shortstop Ben Wohl for the force.

According to Boyd, that play might have saved the Game 1

BAKER'S DOZEN

Perhaps buoyed by the defensive gym, the Wildcats then sent 13 batters to the plate against starter Mike Golowic and reliever Nate Simonds and scored seven times

Coming through with an RBI double to right-center was junior outfielder Phil Emminger to make it 4-3.

After walks to May and Nadratowski loaded the bases, senior first baseman Matt Priebe (2-3, 2 runs, 3 RBI) drove in two

with a seeing-eye single between third and short to put the 'Cats

Three more runs scored on two errors and a bases-loaded walk to Emminger opened up a 9-4 lead for Plymouth.

But the Railsplitters fought back against junior Ryan Nick, who started the fifth with Nadratowski going out to center

A double by Simonds trimmed Plymouth's edge to 9-5 before clutch defense stopped Ypsi-Lincoln from rallying further.

Senior third baseman Kevin Lozier fielded a grounder and threw to sophomore catcher Rich Guglielmi for a force at the

Then Nadratowski slid to nab a liner off the outfield grass and doubled off Simonds to end the

"Mike's a heckuva ballplayer," Boyd said. "We're going to go this season as Mike Nadratowski, Matt Priebe and those guys go. They've got to lead and so far they've done a nice job of it."

But Plymouth still had to sweat it out in the seventh.

Tanner Brewer launched a two-run homer to left, and Ypsi-Lincoln scored another on a wild throw. With the bases loaded and two outs, Guglielmi squeezed a pop foul behind the plate to end the contest.

Other top Plymouth offensive performers included Emminger (1-2, 1 run, 2 RBI), Nadratowski (1-2, 2 runs) and Lozier (1-3, 1

For the Railsplitters, Tyler Spalding doubled and tripled in five at-bats.

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Putting a good swing on the ball during Thursday's season opener is Plymouth's Tyler Goble.

which will try to improve on last season's 19-14

with the bat.

Following Thursday's opener, he observed that "There's a lot of personality on this team,

they want each other to do well.' Again, that's a pretty smart approach.

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Seniors Nick Leventis and Sam Sonnaga are in the mix for the starting catching spot, followed by sophomore Brett Ramires

Salem's first baseman will come from a group of seniors - Chris Kordick, Tate Theisen, Joe Simowski, Korey Streck.

Junior shortstop Drew

Thompson will anchor the infield defense, with either Scott Devine or Tommy Rodrigues (both juniors) slated for second base.

Manning the hot corner will be senior Ken Novak or senior Mike Weingrot.

Rumberger has seven candidates for the outfield, including seniors Alex King, Eric Lorber, juniors Devin Price, Matt Rowland, Evan Gambino, Brad Trublowski and sophomore Matt

Constance.

As for Salem's pitching staff, the veteran coach will hand the ball to any of eight hurlers. Those include Kordick, Streck, Weingrot, Constance, Rodrigues, Gambino, King and Lorber.

Meanwhile, Rumberger declined a request for comments about his team as it geared up for the 2010 KLAA Central season.

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that relay," Harfoot said, adding sophomores Landau and Gell began the season competing for the freestyle spot on the medley relay. "Through competition, both guys had tremendous seasons. They pushed themsleves to places I didn't think they'd get this year.

"Both worked hard to get it, and that made the 200 freestyle relay that much better. They dropped a ton of time in the 50 and allowed us to qualify and score

400 freestyle, Salem: A second outstanding relay team from the Rocks featured Collingwood, Santer, Mills and Seroka - earning 12th at the D1 finals (3:16.67) and making the second team as a result.

Collingwood and Santer each finished in 49.21 seconds while Mills (49.81) and Seroka (48.03) also were

According to Olson, the talented 13th-place overall unit will be "ready to move into (the) final heat for 2011.'

COACH OF THE YEAR David Le, Canton: In just three

seasons as head coach of the Chiefs, Le continues to put his imprint on the program. His teams have gone 21-9 during that span, with those losses largely going only to Top 15 Division I opponents.

In 2010, Canton finished 5-0 overall and 4-0 in the KLAA South Division and the Chiefs shared the overall title with Plymouth (which won the conference meet)

Le also brings the kind of coaching philosophy that rewards effort and teamwork, personified by Jay Jin at the conference finals.

"Jay Jin placed fourth in the 100 back (but) when it was time for awards he was nowhere to be found," recalled Le. "I found him in the warmup area after the awards were handed out and asked him why he

didn't get his medal. He said 'Forget the medal, I want the relay."

Le said the season was very successful beyond the won-lost record.

"We had two things that we went after this year," Le emphasized. "The first one was that regardless of ability, you are a contributor to the team and that it takes every single one of us to win.

"The second one was to not be afraid to race. We talked about how we work as hard as every other team and there is no reason why we can't compete with them.

That stance helped the swimmers build confidence and compete very well at the conference and state meets, not shying away from close matchups

"I know that we can look back on this season and use it as a major building block in our future seasons," he continued. "The guys are already talking about what we can do next year and how we can com-



Canton's Ruth Lindke delivers the ball during Monday's bowling league for senior citizens at Super Bowl. She still exceeds the 100-pin mark regularly despite being legally blind.

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At the start of each frame. Ruth turns her head sideways to see her yellow-and-blue bowling ball out of her one relatively good eye. Then, she positions herself and — almost by auto-pilot - slowly steps forward and rolls her shot down the middle of the allev.

Walgenbach then announces to her which pins are standing and Ruth visualizes the formation before rolling for the

"I just get up there and bowl, that's all," said Lindke, with a chuckle. "I don't know what it is. I can't see the pins, so Lynn has to tell me what's there.

Last Monday, with Walgenbach's usual spotting help, she registered three strikes during a four-frame stretch en route to a 123 game for Team 9.

'Show off," barked Walgenbach toward Ruth, with nothing but warmth in his voice

Such fun-loving banter is ingrained among the 50 or so participants in 101 Monday Canton Seniors.

In fact, whether she's got her game in full gear or not, the tiny Canton woman he calls Ruthie is the talk of the bowling alley.

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"She's deserving of some attention, she's a sweetie," said Walgenbach, who contacted the *Observer* about Ruth. "You know what she told me up there? 'I don't know if I'm

going to kick your butt for this or what.'

Still, her story is noteworthy and inspirational. Lindke moved from Ohio

to the Canton area some 50 years ago, and didn't bowl until around 1970. But for the past 20 years or so, through hip replacements and failing eyesight, she's been a fixture at Super Bowl.

Thanks to cataracts, she virtually has no vision in her right eye. Despite macular degeneration (which damages the retina) her left eye is slightly better; she can recognize people up close but only sees a blurry splash of white at the other end of the alley.

There is no way to know what pins need to be knocked down for a spare, that is, until Walgenbach tells her.

"She's bowling on instincts, I tell her it's a 1-2-3-4, whatever," Walgenbach said. "Oh, yeah, she's got it memorized. She's been doing this for I don't know how many years."

When Lindke releases a poor shot, meanwhile, she knows it without requiring anybody's help. A few times last week, she dismissively waved her hand a couple seconds after letting the ball go.

She can see just enough to know that a shot is headed for the gutter. "But I can't see the

SHE'S A FAVORITE

To everybody else at Super Bowl, including front desk worker Camille Ebersole, Ruthie is a visionary.

Ebersole called Lindke "a special lady. I've worked here since '95 and she's been here."

ror me, she's my hero," said 64-year-old Mike Veneziano of Canton, whose Rooster & His

Chicks team bowled next to Ruth's last week. "If I could do what she does at that age I'd

be very happy.
"Everybody loves Ruth, any time we bowl her we have a

good time and the league is a fun league, too. Also on Team 9 is Garden City's Rick Reaume, 62, who joined Walgenbach and Lindke

during the season. "I'm kind of new here, I've only been bowling two or three months." Reaume said. "But she's a nice lady. She's fun to bowl with.

Then with a laugh, he added that he's hoping he'll "be able to walk when I'm 90 years old much less bowl.'

Another league member, Canton's Dell Witucki (of Challengers), is Lindke's ride to and from Super Bowl each Monday. She also is a friend who bakes the "best apple sauce and banana nut bread in town.

With a nod, Witucki then said Ruth has a still-sharp competitive spirit.

She gets disgusted because she doesn't bowl her average," said Witucki, providing a snippet of postgame conversation on the way back to Lindke's residence. "But then she comes back with a 157, or

That spirit also means being critical of her own performance.

"I was just fair, but I had fun," Ruth summarized. "It's fun to be here with all these people and visit with every-

Dollars to donuts, everybody else at Super Bowl wouldn't miss visiting with one-of-a-

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Race day registration begins at 10 a.m. Food and music will be provided after the race. The cost is \$20 (includes T-shirt if pre-registered by April 5).

For more information, e-mail springcheckup5K@gmail.com; or to download a registration form visit www.springcheckup5K.org.

Football combine

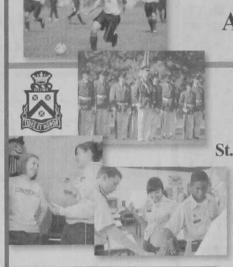
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NEIGHBORS

Fair turns Schoolcraft into mini United Nations

BY SHARON DARGAY OSE STAFF WRITER

Bailey Vootlittle jiggled her hips, mimicking belly dancer Lisa Ouellette's moves as the guest performer led audience members through a Middle Eastern Dance routine Thursday at Schoolcraft College, in Livonia.

"It was a lot more work than I thought it would be," said Vootlittle, fanning herself after the mini belly dance lesson and demonstration ended. "I'm not very physically fit. It was a lot of work.

The Schoolcraft student was among the more adventurous participants at this year's Multicultural Fair, an annual event that draws hundreds of students, staff and community members together for a day of international and ethnic celebration involving exhibits, food, music and dance.

Visitors traveled the world by browsing nearly 30 cultural display tables and collected "passport" stickers at each stop. The free event also included henna painting, a world map trivia game and a drawing for door prizes.

"I'm having a lot of fun," said Vootlittle, who wore a sari on loan from one of her profes-

"I'm just here for the experience and the free food,' said another student, who identified himself simply as "Marcello."

Eight local businesses served signature dishes and



Sondai Swanson and Baba Shoari drum with Nanou Dijapo from the Marcus Garvey Academy.

some ethnic display tables offered homemade fare or foreign-made product samples.

"It's all real," said Billy Earles, as a visitor poked her finger at a lavishly frosted lamb-shaped cake on display at the Heritage Bakery table.

"I thought it would be the hard frosting," she answered, drifting away to sample pasta at another table.

Easter lamb- and eggshaped cakes anchored both sides of the table where Earles, an employee at the Livonia bakery, cut sample-sized pieces of walnut tea cake.

"This is raisin egg bread. This was the poppy seed log. This is a cherry raisin nut bread. That's really good. And we also have one piece of cherry pound cake left," he said,

dishing out the desserts.

The bakery, known for its Polish goodies, has participated in the fair for three years.

WOODLAND TRIBES

Casey Brant, a Schoolcraft graduate from Detroit, was on the first Multicultural Fair planning committee nine years ago. She and her father, Art Brant of Westland, have returned every year since then with a display about Native Americans.

"It gets bigger and bigger every year. There are more and more people," she said, describing the event. "We get all kinds of questions from people about the artifacts we brought, about the foods and herbs and medicines.

All of the items displayed, from heirloom baskets to a wooden "snow snake" used in a Native American game, represented Woodland tribes. Brant hoped visitors would leave the fair understanding that Native American tribes such as the Iroquois and Mohawk "are not an extinct group.

Hannah Meier, a Redford resident and Schoolcraft graduate, was intent on busting a few myths before the fair

Meier, whose father is from Canada, listed 10 wrong assumptions about Canadians from everyone using "eh" in a sentence to speaking only French in Quebec.

"One of my favorite parts of this (display) is the famous Canadians in America," she said, referring to photos she had posted. "People are surprised to find out who is Canadian. They didn't know they were Canadian.'

That roster included comedians Mike Myers and Gov. Jennifer Granholm, among



Hailey McInnis watches Mital Patel of Canton apply a henna design to the back of her hand. Hailey is from Northville.



Young dancers from the Marcus Garvey Academy perform at the Multicultural Fair at Schoolcraft College,

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If the patient remains stable, doctors do repeat x-rays every 2-3 years, but may chose other intervals despending on the patient's real. There is hardly a place for

chose other intervals depending on the patient's pain. There is hardly a place for regular or annual joint x-rays.

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tests. For example, a patient could be taking the drug methotrexate for rheumatoid arthritis. This medication can have deleterious side effects that will resolve if caught early. To ensure patient safety, the doctor must, on a timely and regular basis, undertake laboratory studies to catch these side effects.

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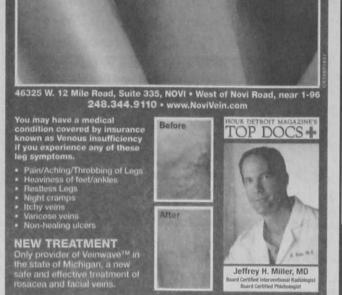
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Scat singing to highlight Just Jazz concert April 11

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN CORRESPONDENT

When April Tini scats it makes George Benson smile. That's no easy task. During his career, the Detroit musician has played saxophone with legends like Ella Fitzgerald who mastered the art of singing without words.

On Sunday, April 11, he and Tini will perform with Jerry McKenzie's Just Jazz for a concert in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College.

It was a year ago that magic first happened as Benson joined Tini and Just Jazz on stage at Nikola's in Southfield. The house is always packed when the trio of McKenzie on drums, Matt Michaels, piano, and Dan Jordan, bass perform Thursday nights with guest musicians.

"April started scatting and invited George to scat with her. He began mimicking her and scatting back," said Midge Ellis, a long-time jazz promoter who lives in Livonia. "Not everyone was a jazz fan. Some were there for dinner, but everyone got quiet once they started."

Louie Armstrong was among the first scat singers in the early 1900s to start improvising with nonsense syllables after his music fell on the floor. Scatting allows vocalists to solo like instru-

According to Ellis, when Tini and Benson trade off melodies and musical phrases it's a match made in heaven. She hopes more than 400 jazz lovers turn out for the April 11 concert that will raise funds for the Michigan Jazz Festival July 18 on the Schoolcraft campus in Livonia.



April Tini

The Just Jazz concert gives audiences the opportunity to hear not only the trio and Tini, but Benson, who has played with Lena Horne, Nancy Wilson, Johnny Mathis, Sammy Davis, Jr., Michael Feinstein, Tony Bennett, Rosemary Clooney, Aretha Franklin, Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye, Gladys Knight, the Jackson Five, Four Tops and Temptations. Benson regularly sat in on Motown recording sessions as well.

"George is one of the most electrifying, soulful and musical saxophone players that ever was," said Tini of Farmington Hills. "I knew I could call any tune and he would know what to do with it. The guest artist is responsible for coming up with musical ideas for the evening. It's always unrehearsed in the true spirit of jazz, but that rhythm section can play anything.

I called Gershwin and Cole Porter and George filled in with the sax - the right notes at the right time - and soon we began to play off of each other and improvise. All of a sudden we were making



Just Jazz

fantastic music and it was so fun for the band and audience because it was all happening on the spot."

ORIGINAL TUNES

The audience on April 11 is sure to hear tunes by Gershwin and Porter as well as an original by Matt Michaels of Southfield with lyrics by Dan Jordan of Troy.

"In Passing is a wonderful melody and beautiful harmonized Bossa Nova that will be something totally different. We also hope to do a song that Dan wrote lyrics to that is a Brazilian jazz classic," said Tini who has been singing professionally for 25

Tini teaches vocal music at Orchard Lake Middle School in West Bloomfield. In the past she taught at Wavne State University, Oakland University, Western Michigan University, and Berklee College of Music in Boston, and performed with her husband Dennis Tini, Chris Collins, Johnny Trudell, Ray Tini, and Jerry

McKenzie.

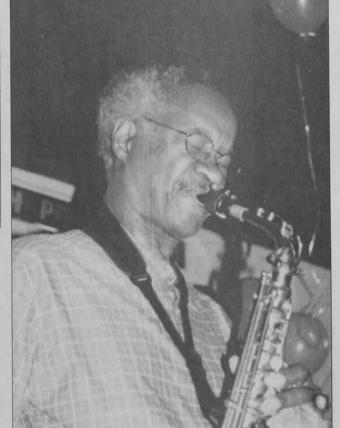
"Jerry and I have always had fun with trading vocal and percussion sounds on the bandstand. Although we're not planning or practicing, we hope to have fun with vocal and percussion improvisation," said Tini.

McKenzie, of West Bloomfield, began playing drums professionally after high school when he went on the road with the Glenn Miller Orchestra under the direction of Ray McKinley. Before long McKenzie was touring with Stan Kenton and can be heard on Kenton's Grammy-award winning albums.

FESTIVAL SUPPORT

At 81, Benson has heard musicians at a variety of venues but especially looks forward to the April 11 concert and the Michigan Jazz Festival. Ellis and the festival committee put on three fundraisers a year to keep the daylong event free to the public.

"At the festival they can come out and learn how



George Benson

jazz is played," Benson said. "There's so many different groups playing and they get to hear a lot of different kinds of jazz. Tini said the concert on

April 11 gives jazz lovers an opportunity to show support for both the music and the summer festival. "It's also an opportunity

for wonderful networking on behalf of the music - musicians and patrons,"

she added. "Jazz lovers meet other jazz lovers. It's an opportunity for the jazz com-

munity to come together once again and support the music and each other and keep the fires burning of this wonderful festival and community of special musicians we're lucky to have in Michigan." Jerry McKenzie's Just Jazz perform with George "Sax" Benson and guest vocalist April Tini 3-5 p.m. Sunday, April 11, in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Tickets are \$15, and available by calling Midge Ellis at (248) 474-



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO MASTER PLAN

PROPOSED ACTION: AMEND THE MASTER PLAN FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY ADOPTING "MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT, NOVEMBER

DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, April 21, 2010

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 North Haggerty Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that after careful and thorough review the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth proposes to amend the Master Plan for the Charter Township of Plymouth by adopting "MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT, NOVEMBER, 2009".

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from $8:30~\mathrm{AM}$ to $4:00~\mathrm{PM}$. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to the Community Development Department, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 or call 734-354-3270, ext. 6. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth Township, MI 48170. At the public hearing the Planning Commission may recommend approval of the changes as proposed, or as amended.

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Class of 1960

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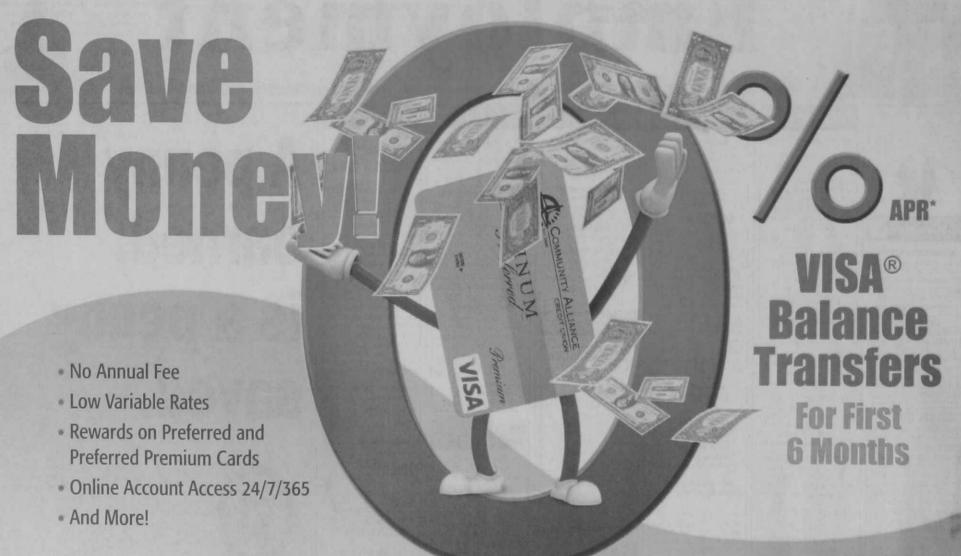
The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Card Key Security System for the High School Educational Complex. Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Ms. Hunter in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2741.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. EST., on Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at Salem High School, 46181 Joy Rd., Canton, MI 48187. Bidders this is a MANDATORY pre-bid meeting. Any and all technical and pre-bid questions should be directed to Harry Lau in the PCCS Maintenance Department (734) 416-2970.

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope to the E.J. McClendon Educational Center (attn: Card Key Security System at HS Complex Bid) 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI 48170 on or before 2:00 p.m. EST., Tuesday, April 20, 2010 where they will be opened and read publicly. Faxed bids will not be accepted. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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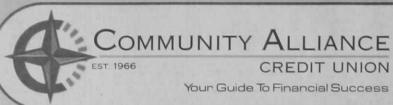
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APRIL

Stop smoking program

12:30 p.m., April 8, 12-16 and 18, at Plymouth Seventh-day Adventist classroom, 4295 Napier, between Ann Arbor Road and Warren Road, in Plymouth. Dr. Arthur Weaver of Northville offers this "Breathe Free Smoking Cessation" program that offers group interaction and a behavioral change process. For more information call Weaver at (248) 349-5683 or e-mail to aweaverx@wowway.com.

Gilda's Club

Gilda's Club Metro Detroit offers free educational lectures to anyone who has been touched by cancer

- Boosting Your Immune System Through Nutrition and Supplements, 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesday, April 14, will teach how foods and supplements can help your body stay healthy and strong. Renee Surdu from Vita-mend will discuss ways to boost your immune system. Dinner will be provided at the

· Multiple Myeloma Update from the International Myeloma Foundation runs 6-8 p.m.Tuesday, April 27. Robin Tuohy, Regional Director from the International Myeloma Foundation, will discuss how the International Myeloma Foundation can help people diagnosed with multiple myeloma, along with other important information. Dinner will be provided at the lecture.

- Critical Inventory Lecture, 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesday April 28, features Mal Hillman, president of Stessa Services, who will provide information on the importance of compiling your critical information, such as medical and key contact information, assets and liabilities, retirement plans, insurance policies, and other essential information for use by caregivers, family members, and others.

RSVP is required for all programs. Call Gilda's Club at (248) 577-0800 to make a reservation. Gilda's Club is located at 3517 Rochester Road north of 13 Mile in Royal Oak.

St. Mary Mercy

·"Pet Preparation for Baby," 7-9 p.m., Thursday, April 8, in classrooms 1 and 2, will educate dog and cat owners about common behavior problems - and strategies to prevent them - when a new baby is brought into the home. Topics covered are what to expect from your pet, how to prepare for success, simple tips on an easy transition and how to anticipate and prevent potential behavior problems

Registration is required. Fee is \$10 per person. Call (734) 655-1159 for more information, or to register. Register online at www.stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and

· "Heartsaver" Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation class (CPR), 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, in the Community Outreach Department, Classroom 10. The class is being offered through a partnership with the American Heart Association. Learn CPR and choking techniques for children and adults. To register, call the Community Outreach Department at (734) 655.8950, or register online at stmarymercy.org. · "Let's Get Ready to Have a Baby" runs 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 17, in classrooms 1 & 2. Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery and make the entire

experience more rewarding. This class is based on the "Lamaze Method" and includes exercise, relaxation, breathing techniques and comfort measures to assist expectant moms through the different stages of labor. \$75 per couple. (734) 655-1162 or visit www.stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events"

The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

Cancer screening

The University of Michigan Health System, the U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center will offer free throat cancer screenings by appointment in conjunction with Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week and World Voice Day, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, April 17, at the U-M Health System, 1500 E. Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor. Priority for screening appointments will be given to people with symptoms or risk factors related to throat cancer, and to those without health insurance. Exams will take less than 45 minutes to complete. Refreshments will be provided, and free transportation or parking will be available. Registration is required. Call the U-M Cancer AnswerLine at (800) 865-1125 or visit www.mcancer.org/throatcancer.

Dawn Farm

· Ed Conlin, addiction counselor for Detroit Capuchin Service System, will present, "Spirituality and Recovery from Addiction, 7:30-9 p.m., April 20 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center Auditorium (ground floor,) 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. This program will describe how spirituality relates to recovery from chemical dependency, explore personal spiritual needs and life choices, and discuss the Twelve Steps as a spiritual program which can benefit anyone. · Dr. Patrick Gibbons, adjunct clinical instructor in psychia-

Witt-Johnson

engagement.

Kristin A. Witt and Carl

The bride-to-be, daugh-

ter of Skip and Sandy Witt

of Canton, is a 1997 gradu-

ate of Canton High School

and a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan, where

she earned a degree in indus-

trial and operations engineer-

ing. She is an engineer for S.C.

Her fiancé, son of Wayne

Johnson and Ruth Bradford-

Johnson of Racine, Wis., is

a graduate of the University

of Wisconsin-Madison and

Marquette University Law

An August wedding is

planned in Racine, Wis.

School. He is an attorney with

the Public Defenders Office in

Johnson in Racine, Wis.

Johnson announce their

AUGUST WEDDING PLANNED

try at the University of Michigan will discuss "Psychiatric Disorders in Chemically Dependent Individuals: Diagnostic and Treatment Considerations" at 7:30 p.m. April 27, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center Auditorium, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. The program will provide an overview of co-occurring addiction and psychiatric illness, including standard diagnostic criteria, individual considerations for determining the appropriate course of treatment, available treatment interventions, and the perspectives of both the addict and the treatment provider on addiction. Admission free. A certificate to document attendance can be provided The series is organized by Dawn Farm, a nonprofit organization that provides a continuum of programs for treatment of

Karmanos Cancer Institute

chemical dependency. (734) 485-8725.

The 2010 Annual Dinner gala, 6:30 p.m. to midnight, May 8, will include a reception, an elegant dinner, a super silent auc tion, a raffle sponsored by Tiffany & Co., and a fashion show designed by creative icon Linda Dresner, also a breast cancer survivor. Master of Ceremonies will be radio legend and longtime Karmanos supporter Dick Purtan. Special tribute will be given to Gerold Bepler, the new president and chief executive officer of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute. Entertainment will be provided by the Bay Area Blues Society. The event will be at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi. Tickets are \$375 to \$750. For information, call Karry Samulski at (313) 576-8106 or e-mail samulskk@karmanos.org.

ONGOING

Fitness classes

Exercise classes for men and women continue through April at the Metropolitan Seventh-Day Adventist School, 15585 Haggerty, north of Five Mile. Jeanie Weaver is a certified personal fitness trainer with 30 years of teaching/training experience. The sessions infuse Pilates, functional strength training, balance work, flexibility and motivational techniques in a 90-day fitness plan. Call (248) 446-9176 or (313) 300-0957. E-mail jeanieweaver@ charter.net

Overeaters Anonymous

Meet 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Courtyard Room at Unity of Livonia Church, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia; and 7 p.m. Sundays at the Marion Professional Building at St. Mary's Hospital, 14555 Levan at Five Mile, Livonia, in Classroom 1. Call (313) 387-9797. Anyone who wants to stop eating compulsively is welcome. For more Greater Detroit Overeaters Anonymous information call (248) 559-7722 or visit www.oa.org.

Breast cancer support group

Meets 6:30-8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month in the Atrium of Our Lady of Hope Cancer Center, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile (use south entrance off Levan Road), Livonia. Call (734) 655-1100, or visit www. stmarymercy.org.

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ROBERT GREGORY "GREG" ADAMS

Age 56, of Sarasota, Florida, departed from his life on earth, at Sarasota Memorial Hospital on Monday evening, March 22, 2010, following a brief illness. Greg was born on March 16, 1954, to Robert Lee Adams and Pearl Finch Adams, in Raleigh, North Carolina. He lived and attended school in Cincinnati, Ohio, graduating from Oak Hills High School in 1972 and receiving a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Cincinnati in 1976. Greg always had a great passion for and love of nature, the environment and science. He followed these interests as a graduate student and research assistant at the University of Florida in Gainesville He completed his Masters degree in Entomology in 1981 through the guidance of James E. Lloyd, Ph.D., (retired). Greg published in The Florida Entomologist (1981) "Search Paths of Fireflies in Two Dimensions." He received requests from around the world for reprints of his publication. Greg combined his science education with an interest in computers to begin his career in computer science his career in computer science and programming, first working in Ohio and then later in California, Oregon, and Florida. At the time of his death, Greg worked for Citigroup in Tampa, Florida. At an early age, Greg taught himself to play the piano. A lover of election of the content of the c classical music, he possessed the gift of playing even the most complex classical pieces, simply by listening to the music and then teaching himself to play it. Greg is survived by his moth-er, Pearl Finch Adams and sister, April Oakes Turner (Kevin) and niece, Sylvie Leigh Turner, all Birmingham, Michigan and by all of uncle, Andrew H. Spencer (Judith Church) of New York City, New York. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Lee Adams and by his uncles, Earl Finch and Floyd G. Finch. A private memorial service in honor of Greg's life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to: University of Florida Foundation, Department of Entomology, Box 110620, Gainesville, Florida 32611. Greg's hero, Albert Einstein, said, "I never think of the future. It comes soon enough." And so, it did. Those

al. He followed his dreams, not rules. Arrangements by Snyder Funeral Home, Mansfield, Ohio. Condolences: www.snyderfuneralhomes.com HELEN ATTALAI

who knew Greg best would describe him as funny, smart and unconvention-

Age 88, of Plymouth Passed away March 25, 2010. Arrangements by THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME,



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Tribute Life of Loved One

VICTORIA MARIE MOODY

Age 88, of Garden City, formerly of Belleville, died March 25, 2010. A gathering was held Mar. 28. Donations can be made to the American Cancer Society. www.davidcbrownfh.com



GARRETT H. MOUW Age 91, a resident of Dearborn, for-

to Detroit, where he began work in the

president. Later, a second company, Royal Oak Grinder, was formed to

manufacture specialty equipment. He

was also active in many organizations, including the Detroit Tooling was also active in many organizations, including the Detroit Tooling Association and the Rotary Club of Royal Oak. In 1961, Mr. Mouw became a member of the William Beaumont Hospital Board of Trustees,

serving as its President (1978 - 1980) and Chairman of the Board (1980 -

and Chairman of the Board (1980-1984). Serving in several leadership roles, he was elected to the Board of Directors in 1990, where he served on many committees. He played a major role in the formation and development

of the Beaumont nursing centers. In recognition of his many contributions,

he attained the status of Director Emeritus. Mr. Mouw was a deeply

curious man who immersed himself in

numerous diverse interests including

skiing, photography, cooking, travel, music, hunting, fishing, and gardening. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends at the Pere Marquette Rod and Gun Club, where

he pursued many of his interests. In 2001, he moved to the Henry Ford

2001, he moved to the Henry Ford Village in Dearborn, where he was well known for his smile, kindness, and humor. He is survived by his son, John (Marika) Mouw of Homer, AK; nephew, Gary Mouw of Birmingham; and niece, Wendy Beck of Cave Creek, AZ. He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Marjorie; brothers, Henry and Wendell; and sister, Cornelia. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Donations may be made in his memory to William

be made in his memory to William Beaumont Hospital or the Salvation Army – Royal Oak Citadel Corps. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-

541-7000. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Paying

67, died Monday, March 29, 2010 sur-Michigan home. Born in 1942 to J. Robert and Ruth Schaeffer in Detroit, Katie graduated from Detroit Cooley High School in 1961. After raising a feetile and working as a paragrap with family and working as a parapro with Livonia Public Schools, Katie completed her BS of Mathematics from the merly of Birmingham, passed away Monday, March 29, 2010 in Southfield. He was born February 14, 1919 in Royal Oak to Dutch immi-University of Michigan, Dearborn in 1994. Katie is survived by her husband, Herbert J. Minard; daughter, Cindy (Mike) Channey; sons, H. James (Stacey) Minard, Rick (Geri) Minard and Mick (Michelle) Minard. She is also survived by her brother. James grants, Garrett Herman Mouw and Johanna Janbroers. Mr. Mouw gradu-ated from Royal Oak (Dondero) High School in 1936, and received his bachelors in engineering from Michigan State University in 1940. From 1940 also survived by her brother, James Schaeffer; sister, Betsy Lewis; seven - 1945 he worked as a metallurgist at the General Motors Allison Engine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A memorial celebration and luncheon will be held at 11:00 on Saturday, April 3, 2010 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Plant in Indianapolis. He married Marjorie Grace Erb at Christ Church He married Cranbrook on July 5, 1941. In 1945, the couple moved from Indianapolis 30650 Six Mile Road in Livonia. family business, Royal Oak Tool and Machine Co., eventually serving as its

CATHERINE (KATIE) ROMA (SCHAEFFER) MINARD

Memorial donations can be made to Childrens Leukemia Foundation, www.leukemiamichigan.org

ORLANDO ROBERT "Bob" PANSA Was born in Bristol, Rhode Island on

Was born in Bristol, Rhode Island on 30 April 1922 to Tommaso (Thomas) and Anna Mangieri Pansa. He died on January 23, 2010 in Twinsburg, Ohio. Bob graduated in 1944 from the Rhode Island State College (later URI) majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He then earned a Masters Degree in Automotive Engineering from Michigan's Chrysler Institute. Upon his return to New England, he was an his return to New England, he was an instructor of mechanical engineering at instructor of mechanical engineering at RISC. He married his college sweetheart, Elaine E. Murphy in June of 1947. In 1949, Bob joined Oldsmobile Division of General Motors, where he was to make his career. The family moved from Boston to East Lansing, Michigan in 1959. Bob was the "go" my whenever there was an area. to" guy whenever there was an area needed special attention. Later he was promoted to positions in Memphis, TN and California. After a short tenure as regional manager of Oldsmobile in Illinois, he was invited back to Michigan to join General Motors Corporation in 1976. He served as Director of the Customer Relations Director of the Customer Relations and Service Staff until his retirement in 1987. His wife, Elaine, preceded him in death on 30 November 2008. Bob is survived by daughter Martha Pansa and Tom Colosimo, and her daughter Ariana Pansa Mäki; daughter Deborah Pansa Gallagher and Dan Gallagher, and their children Amy and Laura Gallagher; son Jeffrey Robert Pansa and Dana Pansa and their children Elizabeth Stephen and Rachel Pansa; and daughter Patti Ann Pansa. Pansa; and daughter Patti Ann Pansa. He is also survived by his sister, Sylvia Pansa Terra and brother Andrew Pansa, both of whom live in Rhode ransa, both of whom live in Rhode Island. A memorial service will be held August 21, 2010 at the Kirk in the Hills, 1340 West Long Lake Rd, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

BENJAMIN HOYT PARKS

Age 80, born Chattanooga TN, lived 40 yrs. in Westland, passed on March 27, 2010. Survived by loving wife of 64 yrs. Delores. Children: Ruth, Jack, and Deborah. Grandchildren: Jack, Kasey, John, Lynn, Chris, David, Mindy, and Jamie, seven great-grandchildren and one sister Jackie. Private family and friends memorial Sat., April 3rd.

DOROTHY E. VanKEMPE

March 30, 2010, age 93, formerly of Farmington Hills/Northville. Mother of Valorie Cheyne, Penny Upshaw & Kimberley Paull. SimpleFunerals InMichigan.com, 248-227-1954

MILESTONES

MANOOGIAN-TRUSCOTT

Mike and Debbie Manoogian and Larry and Kelly Thomas, all of Livonia, announce the engagement of their children, Emily Nicole Manoogian and Morgan Anthony Truscott.

Emily and Morgan graduat-ed from Churchill High School in Livonia in 2003.

Emily earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Michigan-Dearborn and teaches high school economics at the International Academy in Bloomfield Hills.

Morgan received a bachelor's degree in finance from Michigan State University and

STRUTHERS-CERESNIE

Meredith Louise Struthers and Jeffrey Scott Ceresnie announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of James and Susan Struthers of Northville, is a graduate of Divine Child High School, Dearborn, and earned a nursing degree in 2008 from Michigan State University. She is employed by St. Joseph Hospital, Tucson, Ariz.

Her fiancé, son of Glenn and Nancy Ceresnie of Farmington Hills and Ellen Faber and Cindy Hojna of Ferndale, graduated from Farmington Hills High School, and earned a degree in communications



is employed as an analyst at J.P. Morgan.

The couple will marry in August.



Struthers-Ceresnie

in 2008 from Michigan State University. He is employed by

at Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn.



Citi Group in Tucson, Ariz.

A May wedding is planned

KHLOE ANN FLYNN



Khloe Ann Flynn

James and Stefanie Flynn, of Novi, announce the birth born Oct. 29, 2009, in Novi.

Farmington Hills.



Caden Ryan Bronkhorst

CADEN RYAN BRONKHORST

Caden Ryan Bronkhorst was born Dec. 12, 2009, at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

Proud parents are Nicholas Opalewski and Kerri Bronkhorst of Canton. Grandparents are Richard and Karen Bronkhorst in Canton and Dennis and Beverly Opalewski in Livonia.



of their daughter, Khloe Ann,

She has one brother, Nathan, 16. Grandparents are Cornelius and Mary Ann Flynn, of Livonia; and Pamela Santo, of

Cancer fighters: Relay for Life gearing up for spring walks

O&E STAFF WRITER

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If you've never walked in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Kelly Brang suggests you give it a try

"For the first couple of years that I did it, I just walked a few laps," said Brang, who chairs the Garden City Relay for Life planning committee. She also heads the Garden City Youth Athletic Association (GCYAA) Relay team, one of 29 groups committed to walking in the fund-raiser that will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 22 and end at 10 a.m. the next day, at Garden City Middle School.

"Do you have to get a team and stay the whole 24 hours? No. That would be ideal but that doesn't have to be the case.

Brang, who lost a mother and two sisters-in-law to cancer, guarantees that anyone who walks even a few laps in the event will "get hooked in and want to come back" next year.

"Especially if you see the luminaria presentation," Brang added. "Once you get involved, you feel so good about yourself helping out."

Communities across the country gather in May and June to stage the 24-hour event that combines fundraising with a celebration of cancer survivorship and a luminaria-lit ceremony remembering those who died from the disease.

Teams of volunteers camp out at a local high school, park, or fairground and take turns walking or running around a track or path. Each team has a representative on the track at all times during the event. Many also decorate their overnight tents and offer entertainment, activities or items for sale as a means of fundraising on site.

Individuals are welcome



Dick Tripp and Darlene Jablonowski walk in the survivor lap during the Garden City Relay for Life last year.

to participate in the Relay, which is open to the public.

FUND-RAISING FUN

Mary McKee, who serves on the Canton Relay for Life planning committee, said teams find many creative ways to raise money during the event.

"I do face painting. I've done moonwalks and obstacle courses," said McKee, whose mother died from lung cancer. "We had one gentleman who made whip cream pies and let the kids throw them. We had a team sell tree seedlings.

Many groups also begin fund-raising well before the Relay. McKee's team, "Inspired from Heaven," for example, will offer roller skating for \$6, 7-10 p.m., Saturday, April 10, at Skateland West, 37550 Cherry Hill, Westland. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society.

Canton's Relay, which will run from 10 a.m. Saturday, May 15 to 10 a.m. Sunday,

May 16, at Heritage Park, is among the oldest in Metro Detroit and draws more participation than any other. It's second only to West Bloomfield in the amount of money it raises for the cause.

"In 1999 we raised over \$50,000 and last year, our 11th year, we raised over \$230,000," said Kelsey Ruder, an American Cancer Society staff member who works with the group. All proceeds benefit cancer research in Michigan.

NEW ACTIVITIES

Although Garden City's Relay is only four years old, organizers put heart and soul into the event.

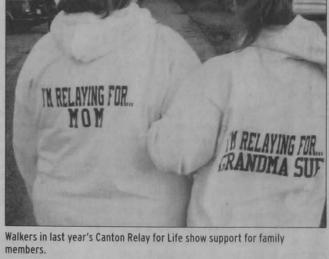
We add something new every year," Brang noted. "Last year we did 'Mr. Relay.' We had ten men dress as women. They had to do a talent, answer a question and they had a half hour to collect money. They raised \$4,000 in that half



Kelly Brang poses with Mike Collard, Garden City Youth Athletic Association vice president, who participated in the 'Mr. Relay' portion of the Garden City Relay for Life last year.

This year, Brang's sister, Lauren Ledgerwood of Westland, the committee's entertainment chair, will attempt to create the world's longest line dance around the relay track

The Livonia Relay's biggest change this year is its venue. Holly Soranno, an





Luminaria reflect on the pond at Heritage Park, in Canton during the Relay

American Cancer Society representative, said the June 5-6 event will move from Clarenceville Middle School to Bentley Field.

"Hopefully the new location will make us more visible.

For more about the Livonia Relay, call Soranno at (248) 663-3425; for the Canton Relay call Ruder at (248) 663-3441; for Garden City contact Brang at (734) 674-7421.

Other local Relays

• May 22-23 at Jaycee Park, Westland. Call Sarah Sherwood at (248) 663-3403 to get involved.

· May 22-23 at Shiawassee Park, Farmington. Call Kari DeCarlo at (248) 663-3423.

· June 5-6, at Claude Allison Park, Redford. Call Rachael Cook at (248) 663-3430 for more details.

· June 12-13, at Central Middle School in Plymouth. E-mail to Lori O'Brien at m.lo.brien@hotmail.com.



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55 Jobs with High Growth in 2010

Rachel Zupek, CareerBuilder.com writer

Although 2009 saw some of the most desolate unemployment numbers in history, there is reason to believe that things are starting to look up.

Both the unemployment rate and the number of jobless persons decreased in November to 10 percent and 15.4 million, respectively, according to the most recent date from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was down from October, when the unemployment was at an all-time-high of 10.2 percent and there were 15.7 million unemployed persons.

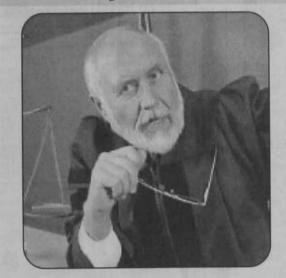
In addition, although employment fell in several industries, several groups saw little change or added jobs in November. Employment in professional and business services rose by 86,000, with temporary help services adding 52,000 jobs, the majority of the increase. Since July, temporary help services employment has risen by 117,000. Health-care employment rose to 21,000 in November, with gains in home health-care services (7,000) and hospitals (7,000). The health-care industry has added 613,000 jobs since the recession began in December 2007. While there was little change in wholesale and retail trade, department stores added 8,000 jobs over the month. Finally, the number of jobs in transportation and warehousing, financial activities, and leisure and hospitality showed little change over the month.

As these numbers continue to trend upward, there should be hope for the millions of people still looking for a job in 2010. The labor force is projected to increase by 12.6 million people during the 2008-18 period, according to the BLS. Total employment is expected to increase by 10.1 percent, adding about 15.3 million workers over the decade -including in 2010.

It should be noted, however, that the jobs that will be added won't be evenly distributed across industries and occupational groups. It goes without saying that changes in consumer demand, technology and the like will continue to affect the economic structure.

If you're looking for a job this year, here are 55 (of many) jobs to look for in 2010, defined as jobs that saw growth in the second half of 2009 in every industry.*

Industry: Management, business and financial operations



Jobs that saw growth in management:

- 1. Marketing and sales managers
- 2. Purchasing managers
- 3. Property, real estate and community association managers

Jobs that saw growth in business and financial operations:

- 4. Wholesale and retail buyers, except farm products
- 5. Cost estimators
- 6. Meeting and convention planners

Industry: Professional and related occupations

Jobs that saw growth in computer and mathematics:

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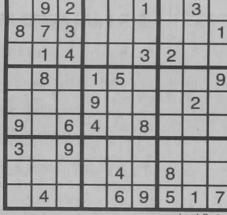
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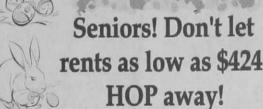
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Me: Black, short, young, extremely sexy, very sensitive, slightly dominant ways, lives alone. You: not white, under 50, tall, 200-3001bs, stable, gentle, compassionate, handyman, very affectionate. Us, NS, ND, NY-Children, monoganist, serious, poetry, cooking, jazz, homebody, very laid back wants marriage, no pets, Leeve name and number only. TD326635 SASSY SILLY AND SENSITIVE 57-year-old nurse, 55°, medium build, red hair, Christian, very amusing, loves outdoors and animals, ISO honest, loyal gentleman, who loves to laugh and have his 772/32/31.

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SWM, 50, dark hair, brown eyes, 59°
180lbs, smoker, outgoing, young-at-heart, hard-working, likes hunting, tel-ing jokes, fishing, bowling, football, camping, weekend getaways. Seeking SWF, 25-50, who's care-free, outgo-ing, good sense of humor, kids ok, for friendship first maybe more. \$\text{T3:329595}\$

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