

Canton takes second shot at road grant

BY DARRELL CLEM OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

CONNECTION What's growing

in your garden?

Gardens are at their peak now, with tomatoes ripen-ing, corn ready to pick and zucchini plants simply over-flowing with tasty summer souash

squash. If you're harvesting a backyard vegetable garden or fruit trees this summer, share the bounty – in pictures and recipes – with Canton Observer readers. Send a photo of yourself in the gar-den and tell us how you pre-pare one of the vegetables or fruits you're growing. Send us a favorite recipe.

Sad passing

Sad passing Marge Verduce, the only athetic department secre-tary Salem High School had ever known, died Aug. 1 After a batte with cancer. Born Oct. 23, 1938, the 71-year-old Verduce had contin-ued to serve while receiving treatment for her cancer. She is survived by daugh-treatment for her cancer. She is survived by daugh-darie (Steven) Franckowiak. son Michael Verduce and grandson Mark Franckowiak. Son thicheel Verduce's fam-tion the Verduce's fam-ity at 41324 Windsor Court. Northville. MI A8167.

Tunes on the trail

Tunes on the trail Take a hike to the sounds of live music on the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, and enjoy an evening of sweet sounds set against the natu-ral background of the trails. This Sound Garden event, hosted by Canton Leisure Services, features several stations set up for a night of music along the trail between Sheldon and Lilley Roads. Parking for this event can be found at the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trailhead, located on Michigan Avenue at Morton Taylor Road. For more information

For more information about this free Sound Garden event or the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail, visit Cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

Road update

Canton officials are expected to know by mid-September if they will succeed in a second effort to secure as much as \$203 million in federal stimulus funds for a project to reshape the traffic-snarled 1-275/Ford Road interchange. Township officials have long said the project could ease traffic bottlenecks along bustling Ford Road, especially during peak, rush-hour times when accidents are more likely to occur near

crash-prone intersections such as Ford and Haggerty. Already, Canton has submitted a preliminary, second-round appli-cation to the U.S. Department of Transportation as it competes with communities across the nation for a new share of \$600 million in TIGER – or Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery – grants, Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said. Moreover, local officials face an Aug. 23 deadline to follow up the 54-question preliminary document with a

formal application to the federal gov-ernment, Faas said. Canton lost out in February when federal officials awarded \$1.5 billion to first-round TIGER projects — a crush-ing blow township Supervisor Phil LaJoy called "extremely disappointing". Yef federal officials announced a new, \$600 million round in TIGER grants amid hopes of spurring addi-tional projects — and jobs — tied to road proposals that had merit, but missed out on funding. However, it's possible that Canton, Wayne County and the state of

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Republican

Age: 44 Family: Wife

Catherine

Candidate: Kurt

daughters Katie

Republican Candidate: Lori

Age: 43 Family: Husband Jeff; children

Residence: Plymouth Township Background: Attorney

Michigan could somehow have to find some matching money, such as nearly \$14 million in land costs, to help pay the tab for the 1-275/Ford Road proj-ect, a thorny issue as all levels of gov-ernment face worsening budget woes. Federal officials have indicated that TIGER propôsals backed by matching dollars are likely to receive more seri-ous consideration, Faas said. "That allows them to spread the (federal) cash over more projects," he said.

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Republicans hope to maintain control of the 7th Senate seat, and grab back the 20th and 21st House seats. Here's who's running:

20th House

21st House

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Democrat Candidate:

Joan Wadswo Age: 56

Family

Husband Steve Calkins; chil-dren Tim, Geoff, Virginia

Democrat Candidate:

Dian Slavens

Residence: Northville Background: Northville school board member



State Rep. Dian Slavens, here with Donna Napolitano, owner of Mechanical Energy Systems in Canton, knows she's the target as Republicans try to reclaim her 21st House District seat.

GOP takes aim at local Senate, House seats

BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

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Now that the primary election is over, state Republicans can turn their attention to November's general election, and the party ha its eyes clearly on three local seats they feel they can reclaim. Two of them – the 20th state House and the 7th state Senate – are open seats with no incumbents in the way. The third – the 21st state House – is currently held by a popular Democrat who wrested it from Republican control two years ago.

Dian Slavens, the occupant of that seat, knows where the target is — squarely on her back — but figures neither party should be thinking in terms of territoriality anyway. "Think the community is becoming much more diverse, trending more Democratic," said Slavens, who won two years ago with 51 per-cent of the vote. "One of the things I've found in my time in Lansing is you have to work on both sides of the aisle. It really has to be about working together; we can't just be about party. That's the only way things are going to work."

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Judge orders trial in summer festival shooting

BY LEANNE ROGERS

Words exchanged after someone stepped on some-one else's shoe triggered two altercations that ended with gunfire — and a Canton teen being shot — during Westland's July 4 fireworks divalay

Westland's July 4 fireworks display. That was the testimony from a youth who was shot and his friend during the preliminary examination Thursday in 18th District Court for Justin Michael Morgan, a Belleville man fac-ing seven felony charges over the incident.



Using crutches to walk, Ramaddan Morroc-Bey, 18, of Canton, testified he had gone to the carnival at the Westland Summer Festival accompanied Shooting victim Ramaddan Morroc-Bey, 18, of Canton.

accompanied by several friends. Initially, he said the fight involved his friend Cortezz Grimes and Morgan. "He (Morgan) left and then came back about 20 minutes later. Another fight broke out.

After the fight was when I was shot," said Morroc-Bey, who seemed annoyed at having to answer questions to clarify his bestmony, much of which was on the second second second and second second second and second second second and second second second market second second second market second seco

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Morroe-Bey had gone to the carting into a fight, something Detroe-Bey deniced. The further question-ing from Jordan, Morroe-Bey agreed that a number of people had joined Grimes in fighting with Morgan, who was on his own at that point. "Did it appear that Mr." Morgan was getting beaten up by (Grimes) and the others?" Jordan asked. Morroe-Bey agreed with that, adding that gareed with that, adding that the first fight. "Grimes testified that he was walking around the carnival with Morroe-Bey and sev-

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Husband Richard; one and a son, two grand Background: Self-employed man

Residence: Gibralta Background: Former state representative



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

Cancer concert

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The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is the site for a benefit concert by Michael McDermott 7:30 p.m. Friday Aug. 20.

ug. 20. McDermott will be per-orming an acoustic set of his

music. Tickets are \$22 each. All proceeds go to the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure. Tickets can be purchased online at www.cantonvillag-etheater.org or at (734) 394-5300. Find out more about McDermott at www.michael modermott som.

Church picnics

Living Peace Church is inviting all Canton area resi-dents to join them at four pic-nics this summer. Picnics will be held Aug. 22 and Sept. 5 at Freedom Park. The members of Living Peace

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Church want to meet Canton Area residents and hear about their concerns and ideas for the Canton community. Food will be provided free of charge from noon to 2 p.m. on all four dates and children's activities will be provided. ... Living Peace Church is com-ing to Canton this fall and will begin meeting for worship in Field Elementary School, 1000 S. Haggerty in Canton on Sunday, Sept. 12. ... For more information call or text us at (734) 233-1466 or e-mail us at livingpeace-church@yahoo.com. ...

Jazz quartet

Jazz quartet Prepare to swing as the Tony Lannen Quartet returns to the Biltmore Studio Theater inside the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton. This upcoming bassist is the 2010 American Federation of Musician's Diversity President's Youth Award winner. The group consists of

Award winner. The group consists of Tony Lannen on bass, Ian Finkelstein on piano, Max Bowen on guitar and Jesse

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Kramer on drums. Group leader Tony Lannen will soon be returning to New York City where he is on scholarship at the New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music. The quartet has just released their debut CD "Setting the Standard" It is available on DBabycom. The performance is set for 7:30 pm. Saturday, Aug. 14. General-admission tickets are \$10 and are available by phone at the Village Theater Box Office, (734) 394-5460 or on-line at www.canton-mi.org/vil-lagetheater or at the door. The Village Theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. Ladies Camp Out

Ladies camp out

Just the ladies are invited to sleep under the stars at Canton Leisure Services "Girls Only Camp Out" on Friday, Aug. 13 in Preservation Park. Mothers, daughters, and Mothers, daughters, and friends are encouraged to pitch a tent together at this unique outdoor event. Scheduled activities for the ladies, include scavenger

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Riverboat cruises

Riverboat cruises The Princess Laura Riverboat cruises Belleville Lake with dinner cruises, fam-ily fun, holiday specials and monthly events, with private charters also available. • Friday, Aug. 13 - Motown Sunset Cruise, 9-11:30 p.m., pre-purchase tickets two-for-\$25; \$15 per person at the dock. • Friday, Aug. 27 - Blues Sunset Cruise, 9-11:30 p.m., pre-purchase tickets two-for-

online at hometownlife.com



Faire weather

Falle WCALIDE Canton's Village Faire returns noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 22, at the Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton. The event features many educational and entertaining activities that the whole family can enjoy. Participants can celebrate Canton's rich history and heritage as you watch historical demonstrations, such as: cooking, knitting, blacksmithing, candlemaking and plowing. There will also be music, face painting, a petting farm, guided tours of the Bartlett-Travis House and more. We'll offer a variety of activities for the whole family. Also part of the event: The tasty corn roast sponsored by the Canton Lions Club. No registration is required. For details, visit Cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

\$25; \$15 per person at the dock.
Thursday, Aug. 26 - Pizza for two by Benitos, \$12.50 per person.

person. For reservations or more information, visit www.prin-cesslaurativerboat.com, e-mail princesslaura53@gmail.com or call (734) 325.6636.

Canton Newcomers

From the moment you arrive, long time residents, those brand new to the community and everyone in between, can meet and greet their Canton-

rg or call (734) 394-5460. area neighbors at the 2010/2011 season adult kickoff meeting of the Canton Newcomers Club, the community's social and charitable organization, Wednesday, Sept. 1. The addition to the monthly meeting with an activity or a guest speaker, refreshments and a charitable component (this month is First Step Shelter), the club hosts Bunko, Chick Flick, Creative Kick, Game Night, Playgroups, Scrapbooking, Let's Do Dinner and many more interest groups. Meetings are held at the Sunflower Clubhouse at 45800 Hanford at 7 p.m. To RSVP for the Sept. 1 meeting or to order a complimentary September newsletter call Noreen at (734) 981-0486 or e-mail nrybar@yahoo.com.



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Deadline extended for Canton Idol

BY DARRELL CLEM

In hopes of drawing more aspiring singers into its Canton Idol contest, BeckRidge Chorale, an adult choral ensemble, has extended the communities?

BeckRidge Chorale, an adult thoral ensemble, has extended the competition's application deadline to Aug. 14. The contest, inspired by the popular *American Idal* televi-sion show, welcomes students who will compete in separate middle school and high school competitions. Woths from across south-east Michigan may com-gete. The contest draws its name from Canton because BeckRidge Chorale has arranged to have the singing contest inside the township's village Theater at Cherry Hill, a 400-seat venue located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road on Canton's west side. BeckRidge Chorale Trustee Kelly Fifield said response to the contest has been good, but organizers hope to draw as

many applicants as possible prior to the new Aug. 14 dead-line

ent." Young singers who will be in middle school this fall are encouraged to audition 7-10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15, while high school contenders should try out 7-10 p.m. Monday, Aug. 16

thy out 7-10 p.m. should, Aug. 16. Contestants are asked to pay a \$10 audition fee to help cover expenses, but Fifield has said arrangements can be made for those who can't afford it. Canton Idol contestants can find everything they need to know in an audition packet at www.beckridgechorale.org. Just look under the "concerts and recordings" section. Following auditions, judges are expected to choose 30 middle school students for a preliminary round scheduled

for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1. Moreover, 30 high school contenders will be selected for a separate preliminary round set for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sent 2 line. "Some students may think that they have missed the deadline and therefore not apply," she said. "We don't want to miss out on any tal-

Sept. 2. Organizers are encouraging audience participation, and tickets cost \$5 to help defray

tickets cost \$5 to help defray costs. Chorale director Michael Gross has said the field will be narrowed to 15 middle school and 15 high school singers for final rounds set, respectively, for 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, and Saturday, Sept. 4. Tickets for the final rounds cost \$8. Winners in each division will get \$500, while the run-ner-up receives \$300 and the third-place finisher gets \$200. Singers get to choose their own songs, but they can't have explicit lyrics. For information or tickets, log on to www.beckridgecho-rale.org or call (888) 459-4887.



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Meanwhile, LaJoy also has confirmed that local officials plan to seek other sources of funding that could potentially offset some of the Canton project's costs. During the first round of TIGER proposals, money to improve the 1-275/Ford Road corridor was sought through the Michigan Department of Transportation with strong political support from Wayne County, Canton and other communities. This time, Faas said, Canton wild irrectly apply for the TIGER grant, though support from other levels of government has remained intact. Here's a recap of earlier-reported details of the TIGER proposal: • Motorists exiting southbound 1-275 could use a new access ramp, or slip, to get onto northbound

Motorists exiting southbound I-275 could use a new access ramp, or slip, to get onto northbound Haggerty without ever having to get onto Ford Road. The slip would be built north of Ford with-out displacing any local businesses.
 Similarly, drivers exiting southbound I-275 could access south Haggerty using another ramp south of Ford Road – again, without actually traveling along Ford Road.
 Drivers from the area of Cherry Hill Road could access north 1-275 by using a northbound service drive along the interstate, bypassing Ford Road and then merging onto the interstate.

ton is looking for money to improve the I-275 and Canton is looking for Ford Road interchange

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11th Republican Congressional District Committee. 'It's always important to get the right people in office who pay attention to what the people have to say. We have to get Michigan back on track. ... Anytime we've had good, qualified candidates running, the state party gets involved, and we've got good candidates now.'

and we've got good cannatates now." The race between Heise and Wadsworth could prove the area's most interesting. Heise is a former head of the envi-ronment department at Wayne County, where he worked well with Democrat county Executive Robert Ficano. He's also worked for several munic-ipalities, worked on legislative issues and knows how Lansing works.

Mark Slavens, won the seat two years ago, beating Todd LaJoy of Canton, the son of former state representative and current Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy She was able to sit back with no prima-ry challenge and watch Canton residents Shannon Price, best known for his work as a lob-byist and political consultant, and Lori Levi, a small business owner making her first foray into politics, duke it out on the Republican side. The two went at it in what both sides said was a hard-fought campaign, and Levi managed to beat Price by 15 votes in Canton and some 300 votes overall. Ballenger said her figured it would be close, and that Republicans in Lansing might be secretly pleased at the outcome. "T think (Republicans) are sort of pleased she wo."

"I think (Republicans) are sort of pleased she won," Ballenger said. "It gives them

a woman-on-woman race, and I think with (Price) basically being a lobbyist, it might not have been the right image for them. You've got an incumbent (Slavens) in there, but I think the Republicans think they can take it. "It's not an open seat, and Slavens is out there working hard,"he added. "Id give the edge to Slavens, but it's do-able (for Republicans)." The 7th Senate seat *is* an open seat, and both parties want it (as does former state Rep. John Stewart, who is running as an independent). Republicans have controlled it for years — including the two Patterson terms — and are hoping Colbeck can help them keep it. Colbeck surprised more established Republicans Abe Munfakh, a three-time Pymouth Township trustee, and Deborah Whyman, a former state representative, by winning fairly easily in Tuesday's primary. Early on in the campaign season, Democrats may have felt they had a chance to take it away by running Corriveau, who would have faced a tough primary against Gibraltar Democrat Kathleen Law, her-self a former state representa-tive. But Corriveau (ropped out of the race right after the

Empagning to the usualities, when we incument Dis Slavens in November. filing deadline, citing family reasons, leaving Law to await the Republican challenger. That turned out to be Colbeck, who went out with "a Dositive message" and earned what he called a "We, the People' victory. He and Levi ran a dimost carbon-copy campaigns that included tons of door-to-door talks with voters, clean tactics and what most observers called "plain hard work." First off, they campaigned correctly, they worked hard, did a lot of door-to-door dimons, "Berry said. "They did a tor of stuff and they were well-organized. They came out with conservative points of view. They worked hard. I was very impressed." After their primary victories, both Colbeck and Levi downplayed their connection to the Tea Party, but both have been active in and draw

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support from the movement. Levi has been present at mul-tiple Tea Party events, while Colbeck announced his cam-pain during a Tax Day Tea Party event in Plymouth. Their victories, according to Ballenger, show the Tea Party may be gaining some influ-enceded in order to make the party success stories are needed in order to make the party success stories around the state," Ballenger said. They scored some victories in prima-ries, so now they can strut their stuff a little bit. But the bottom ine is still – what are they going to do in November? "You have two races there in your own back yard (Levi and Colbeck) that are Exhibit A of Tea Party successe, but can they close the deal?"

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BILL BRISLER ISTAFF PHOTOGRA Lori Levi's mom, Nadine Binkley, didn't let health issues get in the way of campaigning for her daughter, who won Tuesday's primary and will face incumbent Dian Slavens in November.



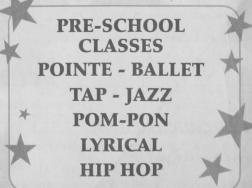


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Barefoot touts 'avant garde' fifth season

Barefoot Productions announced its fifth-season schedule, opening October with the psychological thriller, *Mindgame*, by Anthony Horowitz. True to Barefoot's mission, company officials said this season's lineup offers unusual, but highly entertain-ing and intelligent shows. Created in 2006 by Craig A. Hane, Barefoot Productions has become well-established in the Plymouth community and continues to enjoy a growing patron base. From its begin-nings in the basement of the Plymouth Historical Museum, Barefoot Productions now Plymouth Historical Museum, Barefoot Productions now calls the former Walker-Buzenberg Furniture Building home for the next five years, having recently announced a contractual agreement with the building's owner. This comes on the heels of a generous matching grant from Plymouth's The Wilcox Foundation (which was award-ed late last year and recently ended) which helped raised funding for the busy non-prof-it heatre.

funding for the busy non-prof-it theatre. Thew we'd get to this point one day," said Hane, Barefoot's artistic director. "Entering our fifth season after one of our most success-ful year's to-date is a dream come true. We're a volunteer driven organization and we're so passionate about what we do. It's this passion and com-mitment that shines through in each show we perform. I think people recognize that, we're been so fortunate to have such a faithful following that continues to grow. We're dedi-cated to providing the commu-nity with fantastic live theatre and I can't wait to announce

our 25th season." Barefoot Productions opens its fifth season with the fall production, *Mindgame*, a hart-stopping thriller that places the audience in the room with an escaped, cambinalistic serial killer. Playwright Horowitz is well-known as a screenplay writer, baying penned Hannibal (sequel to Silence of the Lambs) in dercule Poirot mysteries to A&E. "Mindgame is unbelievable," said Hane. 'T spent months seearching similar plots and rice crime stories to give this production the realistic edge trequires. Both the charace stopping wolving, featuring to optical and audible illu-contant yevolving, featuring to optical and audible illu-

both optical and audible illa-sions." Arrons are cautioned that will a sensitive adults. Auditions are August 16 and 17 of younger audience mem-bers and sensitive adults. Auditions are August 16 and 17 of the three-person cast. The show runs 0ct. 8–24. Moving from maylem for ductions announces the performance features a cast of productions announces the performance features a cast of performance

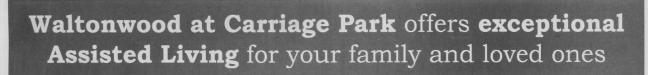
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Barefoot Productions announced its 2010-11 season, featuring (clockwise) the thriller, Mindgame; the holiday showcase, A Christmas Carol; the British farce Black Comedy and the comedy-drama, Lips Together, Teeth Apart



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Cheese Steak Hoagie

Canton Leisure Services recently joined forces with more than 100 General Electric employees in an eco-challenge to clean up the Lower Rouge River Recreational Trail. The volunteers were part of an Information Management Leadership Program training bootcamp being held at GE's Advanced Mamufacturing and Software Technology Center, a state-of-the-art IT and research facility in Van Buren Township. Talling in line with GE's strategy to give back to the communities where its employees live and work, GE volunteers planted 2,000 square feet of wetland vegeta-tion, cleaned up hundreds of pags of litter and debris, and provided general habitat man-agement along a three mile ktretch of the Lower Rouge River Recreational Trail. "Volunteerism and giving back have always been promi-

"Volunteerism and giving back have always been prom

nent parts of GE's culture," said Kim Bankston, HR leader for GE's Advanced Manufacturing and Software Technology Center. "We apply our spirit of innovation and dedication to address the challenges that affect our communities world-wide. Every year, GE volunteers contribute more than one mil-lion hours of service. From focusing on education and the environment to health care and local community development needs, GE volunteers are good people doing great things." The Lower Rouge River Recreational Trail marks one of three large group volunteer efforts coordinated by Canton Township employees this year. To more information on this special clean up project or to find out abut additional vol-unteer opportunities available

unteer opportunities available in Canton, contact the Canton Parks Division at (734) 394-5310 or visit www.cantonfun

Borders launches book drive for needy kids

drive for needy kids The Borders in Canton has launched a book drive as part of a chain-wide effort to increase literacy among kids. Through Aug. 30, store asso-ciates will encourage custom-ers to donate enriching books including titles from the Junie B. Jones, Magic Tree House and Ramona and Beezus series, as well as a variety of picture books for very young readers. The store has partnered with Reach out and Read Michigan, who will receive and distribute the donated books to needy kids within the community. During the book drive it

Douss to hereby kids within the community. During the book drive it held last March, the store col-lected books and plush toys and provided them to The Ronald McDonald House. The company as a whole delivered more than 600,000 titles and 85,000 stuffed toys to kids in pead nationwide. ed nationwide Diaper drive

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NEWS Bank, a nonprofit charity pro-viding diapers for people in need in Southeast Michigan, launched its second annual Fall Diaper Drive's goal is to collect 100,000 diapers for the funds to buy them) by Thanksgiving 2010. No federal assistance programs pay for or provide diapers, not WIC, not Food Stamps or Medicare. Nonprofit organizations and state agencies working with families and individuals in cri-sis consistently list diapers as an ongoing and TOP need. An average infant uses up to 12 diapers per day, a tod-dler up to 8 per day. But in low-income households, a baby may be in a single diaper all day or longer, increasing the risk of health problems from s. The two can't afford fat dayeare to go to work or school. Some children with disabilities never outgrow the eeed for diapers and seniors who can't afford incontinence subjects often become home-bound or end up in a nursing

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Good Grief golf

position. **Good Crief Golf** The 12th annual 'Good Grief' golf outing to ben-efit New Hope Center for Grief Support is presented by this year's Green Jacket Sponsor, Wynwood of Northville, Saturday, Sept. 12, at Tanglewood Golf Club is South Lyon, with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. The proceeds from this out-fing will benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support, a bereavement outtrach center located in Northville. New Hope provides free grief sup-port services and resources to net, women, teens, and chil-dren throughout southeastern Hichigan. The cost for this four-person scramble, which a cart, lunch, dinner, contests, and prizes, is \$125 per golfer. Linner only is \$35 per person. To information about spon sorship opportunities or for registration information, con-tat Datus House Market and Linker and the sub-st ovisit and visit the website at www.newhopecenter.net.

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New county dog park gives pooches plenty of space

BY SUE MASON SERVER STAFF WRITER

For Pat Gaden of Livonia, fen Rogers of Romulus and Angie Whinnie of Redford, it was man's best friends. Standing Thursday morr-ing in the in the new and more counted what they can a 'good dog park story. "We started bringing our dy good dog park story of the anging of the story of the store of the story of the sto

a bridge and there were no shade trees." Gaden, Rogers and Whinnie and the rest of their dog park friends also met at the old park. The group comes from all walks of life – from a machinist to a tenured pro-fessor at the University of Michigan-Dearborn – and most have huskies as pets. They have gone on hikes together, had dinners at each other's homes with their dogs practies for their dogs. When Rogers got mar-ried, she invited her dog park friends and had special favors so they knew where to sit for the reception – small dog dishes filled with dog food. "That shows just how much I like my dog park friends," she said. "Tve been teased over the

an casp, i to or skep them in shape. It doesn't work with walking." Standing in the midst of dogs who were running or chasing each other, Joanne Schwab bent her knees as two came careening toward her. "Twe gotten bowled over by then a few times," she said. Schwab was there with her dog Dutch. A veteran of the old dog park, she describes the new setup as "wonderful." "It's out in the open and it only costs \$5, you can't beat it," she said. "Most of the dogs and people are friendly. Usually, the older or smaller dogs go over there (to the small dogs are)." One of the small dogs are] the big dog area was a red minia-ture pinscher named Lexus. Don Boshaw of Livonia and his son

I the my dog part trends, and said. "Twe been teased over the years, but this has turned into a wonderful thing," Whinnie said. "We have a lot of fun. We never would have been friends if not for the dogs and the dog park," Gaden added. Dogs of all shapes and sizes ran around the enclosures or played with other dogs. Others ambled about, and one even sprinted up and across on the picnic tables conveniently

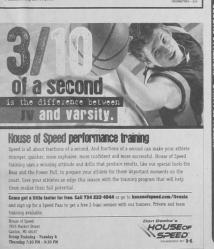


Don Boshaw and son Blake of Livonia watch their dog, Lexus, hold a pose with a treat on his nose

and she's in with a couple great danes and other large dogs," Boshaw said. People interested in more information about the dog park can call (734) 261-1990 or go online to www.waynecoun-typarks.org.

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placed under the trees. Carol Clayton of Redford visits the dog park at least once a week with her dog Ella, who was hanging out with her boytriend, 'Oliver. "She was scared the first time, but the more l brought her, the more relaxed she became,' Clayton said. 'This sis a much better park and closer to the road." Dog owners pay a \$5 fee and forvided proof of vaccimations and a current dog license to use the park. Access is by way of a keypad that unlocks the outer gate. An inner gate pre-vents dogs from getting out. "This is really good for her to socialize with other dogs." Clayton said. 'We have a fenced in yard, but it's not as big a sthis." "Sue Ostrander of Livonia was riding her bike with her won talian greyhounds, Daron and Luca, when she spotted the park. Her first time visit-ing, she was impressed. "They're eiler on (the go) or they're calm, "she said." "They're allthe tired becauses we've probabyl done forum miles already. I do it to keep them in shape. It doesn't work with walking." Blake sat in the shade as Lex Blake sat in the shade as Lexus walked around the park, not in the least bothered by the larger dogs racing around her. "She's used to being around big dogs. We have a group in our neighborhood that walks around Churchill High School

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Restaurant crawl brings hundreds to Old Village

BY MATT JACHMAN

The population of Plymouth's Old Village swelled Wednesday evening as nearly 300 people hit local eating places to sample the fare dur-ing the neighborhood's annual restaurant crawl. Five restaurants and the

ing the neighborhood's annual restaurant crawl. Five restaurants and the Liberty Street Brewing Co., a microbrewery and pub, were on the menu this year for an event that drew people from Plymouth and surrounding communities. Some 285 tick-ets for the crawl were sold, said Wes Graff, executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, the event sponsor. "Everyone did a really nice job," Graff stid. "Lots of food out there for everyone." "It was a great night," said Jay Lindsey, the co-owner, with brother Jeff, of Amici Italian Bisto. Amici was the new kid on the block, having just opened last November. Amici was serving house salad, pasta with marinara or meat sauce, meatballs, pasta alfredo and cannolis. Jeff Lindsey said the crawl

with man-meatballs, pasta alfredo and cannolis. Jeff Lindsey said the crawl was a good marketing tool, and estimated that 60 percent or more of the people who stopped by for it were first-timers there. "It really helps us get that word-of-mouth," he said. Denise Kobos of Livonia wa so impressed with Amici, she said, she may use it for future catering needs.

said, she may use it for future catering needs. Kobos had stopped at Liberty Street for samples of the four beers the microbrew-ery had ready for crawl par-ticipants: two light beers and two dark beers, including the Liberty One, which won first place this year and last year

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The Old Village Restaurant Crawl drew crowds to participating businesses

at the World Expo of Beer in Frankemuth. "My last stop — and I'm stuffed, 'Kobos said. 'Every place has been really good." Matt Sawyer of Farmingtor was also at Liberty Street, with his parents, two broth-ers and their significant oth-ers. The crawl has become an annual family tradition, he said. "They had a really good

selection of food," Sawyer said. Like at Amici, most crawl visitors seemed to be first-tim-ers at Liberty Street, said Joe Walters, the general manager and head brewer. "It's kind of a good thing to get them to see Plymouth has a brewery," Walters said. North on Starkweather, at Station 885, general manager Paul Zajac said the restaurant has been participating in the



crawl for many years. Station 885 likes to stay involved in the community, Zajac said, and the growth of events specific to Old Village seem to have accompanied the neighborhood's resurgence in recent years.

neighborhood's resurgement recent years. Graff said earlier crawls only attracted 125 or so people 'In the last two years it sort took off," Graff said. The crawl participants at Station 855, Zajac said, were a mixture of regulars and new-comers — both good for mar-

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Also participating in the res-taurant crawl were Hermann's Olde Town Grill, Plymouth Fish & Seafood and Crawford's Kitcher



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Modano comes full circle, dons Red Wing jersey

SUNDAY, August 8, 2010

BY BRAD EMONS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Despite being on the end of an illus-trious NHL career, the Detroit Red Wings hope this 40-year-old Little Caesars youth product from Westland will be hot and ready for one more

will be not and ready to a season. Mike Modano, the latest Red Wing signee and the all-time leading American-born scorer in the NHL, was introduced Friday at Joe Louis Arena to a large media gathering. Modano, who wore the No. 9 jer-sey during all of his 20 seasons with the Minnesota/Dallas Stars, donned his new Red Wing jersey for the first time. ding

"Where's our star?" Wings owner Mike Ilitch said as Modano walked up

Mike litch said as Modano walked up to the podium. The Wings signed the unrestricted free agent to a one-year \$1.25 million contract where he is expected to cen-ter a line that includes Dan Cleary and Jiri Hudler. "The opportunity to win is always



Gordie Howe's No. 9 is taken, so Westland native Mike Modano (center), the newest Red Wing for owner Mike litch and general manager Ken Holland, will don No. 90 this season.

something you're chasing when you're older," Modano said. "Quite frankly, if I didn' have a chance to win I proba-bly wouldn't have come. I was finished and retired. At this stage you want

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to have fun, you want to win. The last few years were draining and we weren't as successful as we had hoped in Dallas. "Obviously the opportunity to play

with world-class players and this team changed that. If Detroit didn't come calling, I'd be done. The exper Please see MODANO, A3

Derby's fence-clearing hit for Miracle League

BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

OBSERVER STAFF WATER Much more than baseballs were elevated July 25 at the first annual Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Home Run Derby. Also on the rise were awareness about the planned Miracle League of Plymouth baseball field for special needs children, and dollars to support the \$1.1 million project. Thought it went really well and we exceeded our expectations," said event co-chair Chris Kordick, a 2010 Salem grad who participated in the derby. T Just want to thank everybody for coming out and showing their support." More than \$4,200 was generated at the event, held on the Salem varsity baseball field and attended by 100-to-

200 fans, said Ted Barker, an event co-chair (as was his wife, Tonya) and mem-ber of the Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. As for the derby itself, there were 10 players on the 2010 varsity teams from Salem, Canton and Plymouth who par-cipated in one division and another batters in a separate contest for Jumma and coaches. With our source of the shinon in the other of the set of the shinon in the show the out to go broke a tie with a set field. The was ance blast, it was hit with



Salem's Ken Novak swings for the fences during the final round of the July 25 home run derby, a fund-raiser to generate dollars and promote awareness for the Miracle League of Plymouth project. Novak and Canton's Joe Galanty came down to the wire in the division for 2010 varsity players from Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Pummill's summer play heats up make a huge difference and that's what Pummill experienced 24 hours later when he teed it up at Huron Meadows Golf Course. A second round of sub-70 fell by the wayside early on, but Pummill managed to scratch and claw his way through to the finish where his 75 left him only one stroke from the lead. Proving breaking 70 was no fluke, Pummill betreted his 69 by one stroke when he took top honors against a com-petitive field July 19 at Kensington Golf course.

BY JIM TOTH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER Here's a quiz for all golfing enthu-siasts: Who has recorded more tour-sament victories this summer, Tiger Woods or Ron Pummill? If you answered Mr. Woods then guess again because it is indeed the young Pummill who holds the upper hand with three victories to his credit. Granted, it may not be on the same level of play as the World's No. 1 golfer faces week in and week out, but they are championships on the same level of play as the World's No. 1 golfer faces week in and week out, but they are championships nang his hat on in his attempt to con-tinue to improve his overal game. My goal was to at least win two of these tournaments, so to win three is pretty exciting," said Pummill, whose place showing, have come during Carl's

Golfland and Huron-Clinton Metropark Summer Golf Tournaments. "Winning these tournaments and the experience I gained last year playing in college (Schoolcraft) have helped me because now I know I can compete with the best players on the best courses. The way I hit the ball really hasn't changed much, I'm just playing with a lot more confidence now."

just playing with a lot more confidence now." Pummill's impressive run began with a round of 69 he carded at Willow Metropark Goff Course July 14 against fellow 17- and 18-year-olds in the ini-tial tournament he entered. Despite an inauspicious beginning – Pummill started the day with a double bogey – the former Garden City High stand-out found enough fairways and greens in regulation to record his first sub-70 round in tournament play. As often is the case in golf, one day can

petute reacting course. "I hit almost every fairway and I bird-ied all four of the par 5s," Pummill said of that day's action. Pummill's third win of the summer came shortly after when his 74 at Stone Creek Golf Course topped the field by one stroke. one stroke. "Once you start winning you start believing in yourself a lot more," said

Ron Pummill, a graduate of Garden City High School, proudly displays his three first-place medals racked up this summer during play in Carl's Golfland and Huron-Ciliton Metropark Summer Golf Tournaments.

Pummill, who has spent much of the past six Michigan summers employed at Westland Municipal. "My putting has always been the best part of my game, but I've worked hard practicing my put-ting and I made more four- and five-foot putts in these tournaments than I had before."

SIDELINES

O&E men's golf signup

Cat. Intell's your signing Registration is still on for the Observer & Eccentric Open men's golf tournament. The O&E Men's Open, a two-day, 36-hole medal event, will be Labor Day weekend, Sunday-Monday, Sept. 5-6 at Fox Creek and Whispering Willows rourser encertienty. Terek and Whispering Willows courses, respectively. Entries close at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, and will be open to the first 120 golf-ers. The entry fee is 595 (cart not included. There will be a Senior Division (50-and-over) with a maximum handicap of 20 (U.S.G.A. index required to participate). A total of \$2,500 in prizes, including money for the low and net scorers for each flight, will be offered. For more information on both tourneys, call (248) 476-4493 or visit www.golflivonia. com.

Borsa places ninth Philip Borsa of Redford earned a ninth-place finish Saturday in the FLW Bass Fishing League Michigan Co-Angler Division on the St. Clair River. Borsa's five-bass limit checked in at 15 pounds, 8 ources ounces.

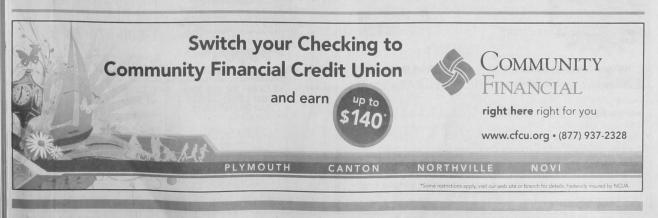
The winning take of 18 pounds, 12 ounces was shared by Jay Ahonen of Ortonville and Adrian Avena of Vineland, N.J. The next BFL Michigan Division tournament is slated for Saturday, Aug. 28, on the Detroit River in Trenton. For more information on FLW Outdoors tournaments, call (270) 252-1000 or visit at www. flwoutdoors.com.

Junior golf tourney

Junior golf tourney The Wolverine Sports and Conservation Club's third annual junior boys and girls golf tournament will be Aug. 21-22 at Livonia's ldy! Wyld Golf Course. The free event is on a first-come, first-serve basis (limited to the first 144). Lunch and T-shirt included. Trophies will be awarded for each boys and girls division winners. Registration for ages 1012 and 1314 - a nine-hole event - is at 8 a.m. Saturday. Aug. 21. Tee times are at 8:30 a.m. Registration for ages 15-16 and 17:18 - an 18-hole event - is at 130 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 22. Tee times are at noon. Golfers can only register at www.wolvernesports.org. Call Bob Murray. (734) 751-4466. St. Mary Mercy 5K

St. Mary Mercy 5K

St. Mary Mercy 5K Registration is on for the fourth annual St. Mary Mercy Mospital Embrace Life 5 kilo-meter run walk for Cancer on Sunday, Sept. 12. The race begins at 9 am. on the hospital grounds, Five Mile and Levan. The cost is S22 for runners-walkers who register on or before Sept. 3 (race T-shirt guaranteed). It's S27 for those signing up after Sept. 3. Awards will go to the first, second- and third-place overall male and female finishers in each age group of the 5K Following the SK, a Community Open House 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. offers music, games, food and health screenings. Register at Active.com or by visiting stmacymery org at Active.com or by visiting stmarymercy.org.



center field. "It was a nice blast, it was hit with authority," Barker said. "It was kind of cool. ... My man Novak, he kind of got through the round. There weren 1 a lot of home runs hit. But he and Galanty duked it out."

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More pool gold for Canton's Schmitt at California meet

Canton High grad Allison Schmitt brought home another coveted title Wednesday as the 20-year-old captured the women's 200-meter freestyle at USA Swimming 2010 ConocoPhillips National Championships held in Irvine, Calif. The 2008 Beijing Olympics bronze medalist, now swimming for coach Bob Bowman at the North Baltimore Aquatics Club (Md.), was clocked in 1:56.84, but nearly two seconds off



Volmer of California Aquatic was runner-up in 1:56.93. "I saw Dana up when I took a flip," said Schmitt, who trailed for nearly 150 meters. "I tried keep up with her, I was just going forward and put my head down. You just have to swim your own race

- so that's what I was doing. I saw her (Vollmer) right there (at the fin-ish) and I knew it would come down close. I just put my head down, closed my eyes and touched the wall."

close. I just put my head down, clos my eyes and touched the wall." By finishing one-two in the 400 freestyle, both swimmers will rep-resent Team USA, Aug. 18-22, in the Mutual of Omaha Pan Pacific Championships, an event that will attract competitors from 20 differen nations including Japan, Australia and Canada. That meet will determine Team. USA good for the 2014 ENDA World and Canada. That meet will determine Team. USA spots for the 2011 FINA Worlds

in Shanghai, China. At last year's World Championships in Rome, Schmitt was a silver medalist in the 200 freestyle.

"It's amazing," Schmitt said of her 200 freestyle win. "I'm really excited to go to Pan Pacs and represent the U.S."

U.S." On Tuesday, Schmitt earned her first Pan Pacific team berth with a runner-up finish in the 400 freestyle. Katie Hoff, the American record holder, touched the wall first in with a time of 4:05.50 followed by Schmitt in 4:06.19. Chloe Sutton of Mission

Viejo (Calif.) was a close third in 4:06.33. Schmitt, an NCAA All-America from the University of Georgia, finished ninth at the 2008 Summer Olympies in the 200 freestyle and won a bronze medal as part of the Americans' 4 x 200 freestyle relay team. The 20-year-old is a two-time NCAA champion in the 500 freestyle who helped the Bulldogs last spring to an SEC Championship and a fifth-place team finish in the NCAAs.

MU golfer Quitiguit runner-up in Mich. public links event

Madonna University golfer Brett Quitiquit continued what has been an amazing year last week with a runner-up finish in the 2010 Michigan Publins State Match Play Championship at Bedford Valley Golf Course in Battle

Valley Golf Course in Battle Creek. The State Match Play is on of the oldest continuous ama The state practice ray is one of the oldest continuous ama-teur tournaments conducted in the state. A 36-hole quali-fier places contestants into 64-man flights based on score. Each player then competes in single elimination individual matches. The champions of each flight can play as many as six matches

each flight can play as many as six matches. Quitiquit started his run on July 23-24, earning medalist honors after carding back-to-back qualifying rounds of 69 at Bedford Valley and Stonehedge Golf Club North. The tournament's top seed, Quitiquit then moved onto sim-gle-elimination and defeated Chris Bailey 3-and-2. The Highland native from Milford High then faced off

with fellow MU senior-to-be Tommy Lucko (Livonia Churchill) and the two Crusaders dueled to an extra hole before Quitiquit came out

hole before Quitiquit came out on top, 1-up. In the tournament's third round, Quitiquit faced off with Scott Jaschuk and won 5-and-4 before a semifinal showdown with Plymouth's Bill Zylstra, winning 3-and-2 to move into the championship match against No. 2 overall seed Russ Cunningham. The two finalists went head-to-head for 18 holes, but it was Cunningham who prevailed, 1-up.

Cunningham who prevailed, I-up. Quitiquit's success last week comes on the heels of his 2009 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference individual title last fall as the Crusaders earned the program's first WHAC title and advanced to the 2010 NAIA National Championships. The MU junior continued his hot streak at NAIAs, com-ing in second place nationally after four rounds of play at

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TPC Deere Run in Silvis, Ill. By virtue of his second-place finish, Quitiquit will receive an invite to the 2011 National Championships regardless if the MU squad qualifies or not. Quitiquit placed in the top 20 in 13-0-14 events he played last season and posted seven top-five finishes and was named first-team All-WHAC. Lucko and Quitiquit were two of the five Crusaders who advanced to the final 64 of the championship. Joining the duo were senior Jimmy Uelmen (Royal Oak Dondero), along with juniors Nick Sears (Flint Powers Catholic) and Ronnie Pollack, Jr. (Southgate Anderson).

Backstroker Douglas on the precipice after leg cramp

BY BRAD EMONS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

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make me work twice as hard. Had I made it, I'd always be happy and I'd have nothing to work for. Maybe it's not so bad that I'm not completely satis-fied. Everything happens for a macon

reason." Kayla's mother Alicia, one of her biggest supporters, sai "she never had a leg cramp before." "It was a heart-wrenching thing to watch, but there's a lesson to be learned out of everything." Alicia added. Kayla Douglas has made great strides since ioning

Kayla Douglas has made great strides since joining the Ann Arbor-based Club Wolverine 15 months ago. It's a club that has spawned sev-eral Olympians, most notably Michael Phelps. "The intensity is higher when it comes to training," said Kayla, who is coached by Bailey Weathers. "At my old

club I got a taste, but I really didn't know what it meant to work. The team is very close. We're a big-time family. We pull for each other because we all know what it means to suffer and all the pain it brings."

to surfer and all the pain it brings." At last year's MHSAA Division 1 state finals, Douglas was runner-up to Novi's Andrea VanderMey in the 100-yard backstroke (57.6). Douglas was also 15th in the 100 butterfly (1:00.23). She is currently taking two weeks off before starting with her high school practices on Aug. 23.

weeks off before starting with her high school practices on Aug. 23. "I'm running, biking, lifting weights – recovering – not too intense," Douglas said. Douglas is not sure whether she already has a U.S. Open Senior Nationals cut in the 200 backstroke along with qualifying times in both backstroke avents for the USA Swimming Short Course Junior Nationals. Douglas, meanwhile, is attracting interest from sev-eral NCAA Division I schools. She plans to take all five offi-cial recruiting trips including a visit to Michigan. "Michigan is in my blood, but I also like Ohio State," Douglas said. "We'll see how the cards play out."

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Kayla Douglas

Kayla Douglas believes there's a lesson to be learned in curver race she swins. In Sunday's Girls Open Too-meter backstroke final at the Michigan Long Course state Championships held at the Holland Aquatics Center, the incoming senior theol appeared to be a lock ot advance to next week's USA swinning Speedo Junior Nationals in Irvine, Call at the Holland Aquatics Center, the attern state theol appeared to be a lock of advance to next week's USA swinning Speedo Junior Nationals in Irvine, Call attern state to break the cut of 20.99 in a meet hosted how state to break the cut of 20.99 in a meet hosted how state at the senior Aquatics. The policitation of the senior and the state of or second place in 20.56 (b) while Melissa Sott of the Oakland Live Yers (Douglas reptrof the Melissa State of the State State at hosted by the Yers who feet of 10.64.39 in and state of 10.64.59 in appeared to 61.06 it of 10.64.50 in a state of 10.64.50 in a state of 10.64.50 in the senior at weak to put it is the set way to put it is the set way to put it is the value as a senior the senior state of 10.64.50 in the senior the se

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RU soccer tryouts

Redford Union High School will be conducting boys soc-cer tryouts Aug. 11-13 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at MacGowan Elementary, 18255 Kinloch. For more information, con-tact coach Jim Gibbs at (313) 995-4235.

GC tennis tryouts

Tennis tryouts for the Garden City boys team this fall will be held at Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt, Wednesday, Aug. 11 at 9 a.m. For more information, call (734) 762-8350.

St. Fabian tryouts

St. Fabilit I YOUS Tryouts for St. Fabian's girls volleyball, boys soccer and coed cross country teams are sched-uled for Aug. 11-12. Volleyball tryouts will be held at Instant Replay, 24:016 Haggerty Road, in Farmington Hills for fifth- and sixth-grade girls (7:30-9 p.m.) and seventh-and eighth-grade girls (6-7:30 p.m.).

and eighth-grade girls (6-7:30 p.m.). Soccer tryouts will be conducted at Soccer/Soccer, located on the southwest cor-ner of 12 Mile and Drake roads, for both fifth- and sixth-grade and seventh- and eighth-grade teams from 6-8 p.m. Cross country tryouts will be held on the Oakland Community College grounds for those in grades five through eight at 6 p.m. both days.

through eight at 6 p.m. bol days. For more information, cc tact Bob Abraham at (248) 207-7058 or Lee Suurmeye (248) 476-7615.

Chiefs baseball tryouts

Chiefs baseball tryouts Tryouts for the 2011 Motor City Chiefs under-9 baseball club will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, and 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 21 at UAW Local 735 Field, 48055 Michigan Avenue, Canton. If unable to attend either tryout date, an evaluation can occur before Aug. 17. For more information, call (734) 377-3123, or e-mail motorcitybaseball@gmail. com.

Westland native Mike Modano is excited about his opportunity to play at home for the Detroit Red Wings

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now. "I talked to my wife and she was excited. She's my number one fan and she encouraged and pushed me to keep playing." The Westland native believes he has come full

The Westland nauve sets ... circle. "Having the Red Wings uniform on in a Pe Wee tournament in Quebec as a 9-year-old w the greatest thing in the world," Modano sai "I also thought the Caesars jerseys, the blue a orange, were the best jerseys out there."

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Batters were given eight outs per round (as opposed to 10 in the MLB All-Star

Lee. Going up against Blomshield and Powell in the alums/ coaches division (just a two-round contest) were Salem alums Dave Loos and Heath Parling and Canton alum Adam Powers.

BIGGER IN 2011

BIGGER IN 2011 The derby — pushed back from July 24 to July 25 because of thunderstorms — lasted about two hours. But Barker and Kordick are look-ing at ways for the 2011 derby to exceed that. Instead of eight outs per round, batters might be allowed 10 outs. Participants also could be automatically moved into the second round regardless of first-round results. — Tabe 1



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to 10 in the MLB All-Star Derby). Galanty and Novak got through the opening two rounds, but Kordick managed just one homer in the opening, round.

just one homer in the opening round. The was a bad day for me, I looped a lot of stuff in the air," Kordick said. Winning the alums/coaches division was Canton varity coach Mark Blomshield, with five fence-clearing shots. Also in that final was Salem alum Kyle Powell. Other participants in the 2010 division (players who were on this year's varsity teams) included: Salem's Evan Gambino, Tate Thiesen, Devin Gardiguez; Canton's Kevin Delapaz and Plymouth's Erik Lee.

Adam Powers. Doing the bulk of the batting practice pitching was Salem head coach Dale Rumberger.

regardless of first-round results. "I think we can give guys more opportunities to hit home runs," Barker said. "We might extend the rounds a little bit... Next year, I think we'll go with 10 outs and carry everybody to the second round and do a cumulative (total), like the pros." That would allow more time for concessions sales and bid-ding on silent auction items,

division after clubbing five homers. Barker explained. Meanwhile, Kordick said there is the possibility of expanding the derby to include other teams in the Kensington-Lakes Activities Association as well as Novi-Detroit Catholic Central. All three PCEP fields also could be included. According to Kordick, who was instrumental in organiz-ing the first derby along with Salem student Natalie Zazula (a 2010-11 senior), having the chance to suit up again and return to his home field was a great experience. "The alumni, their willing-ness to come back was abso-lutely amazing," Kordick said. "And it was fun being able to put the spikes on again, walk into the dugout and recom-neet with something I thought I'd wouldn't have again for a while." Barker made sure to praise

while." Barker made sure to praise the efforts of Kordick and Zazula for showing an entre-preneurial vision and work ethic that helped "blow away" early projections for media attention and dollars raised. "I am ecstatic (with the results) and hope to do it again," Barker said.

Canton head varsity baseball coach Mark Blomshield (foreground) shares kudos with other participants at the recent home run derby for the Miracle League of Plymouth. Blomshield won the alumni/coaches division after clubbing five homers.



ences other players had here and talking to them, it just all added up." Modano's roots run deep dating back to his youth hockey days in the Caesars organization - something the Wings owner hasn't forgotten. "I had him as an amateur," litch said. "That was great. He won me my first Midget national championship (1985) and we went nuts. In all of America we were the best and that was a big thrill."

of America we were the best and that was a big thrill." Modano attended Livonia Franklin High School before going to the Prince Albert Raiders (Alberta, Canada) as a junior at age 16. "The (Caesars) coach kept raving, 'He's going to make the NHL, he's going to make the NHL, " llitch recalled. "I said, 'OK, slow down, slow down."

to make the NHL, he's going to make the NHL,' "litch recalled. 'I said, 'OK, slow down, slow down.'' At age 18, Modano was the first pick overall in the 1988 Entry Draft and went on to rack up 557 career goals and 802 assists while appear-ing in two Stanley Cup finals (winning in 1999). The other thing that's great is that we've only had (Lee) Norwood and one of the Hatchers (Kevin) – only two Detroit boys, or local boys," litch said. 'It couldn't have wrote a better script. He (Modano) starts here and ends up here. I think that's terrific. It's a big thrill for us. Mike has leadership abilities as we all know. He reminds me of Stevic (Yzerman) from the standpoint that you've never heard anything bad about him. Highly respected by verybody. He's a down-to-earth, sincere person – and a great hockey player, so I'm very, very happy as an owner to have Mike back and relish this year. I don't want to talk too much, but 'Cuppy. Cuppy. Cuppy, Cupy, 'I do feel it.'' MHL free agent negotiations got started July 1 and Modano came to Detroit shortly after and sparents, Michael and Karen, were guests in a suite at a Tigers game at Comerica Park. "Mike was a handful whenever we played the Dallas Stars," Holland said. 'So it's certainly an exciting day to bring Mike home. Mike was going to be an unrestricted free agent. We thought it was going to be the perfect fit to bring Mike back home. We've had a lot of suc-sess with older players playing real good hockey for us. We all thought it was a tremendous fit. To announce that Mike is going to be a Red Wing is a very, very exciting day for me and the franchise." Modano, who had 14 goals and 16 assists in his final season in Dallas, not only can help the

Wing is a very, very exciting day for me and the franchise." Modano, who had 14 goals and 16 assists in his final season in Dallas, not only can help the Wings as a third-line center, but also on the power play, "Mike probably knows his role here is going to be a little bit different than it was in Dallas," Holland said. "But I think we have a lot of different weapons in the locker room that on different nights can give us a chance to win. And Mike is going to be one of those guys." Modano reflected on his days as a youth, which included playing and practicing at Joe Louis Arena. "Td like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Ilitch," he said, "As a 10- and 11-year-old I started a foun-dation of hockey with them. I grew up watching Reed Larson, Dale McCourt and all those guys back in the day."

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Cards deck foes

The 9-and-under Canton Cardinals, a travel baseball team, wrapped up its 2010 season by capturing the Livonia Summer Showdown. The Cardinals topped the I2-team field with a 5-0 record. Team members include (front row, from IeH). Jimmy Knittel, Thomas Harvey, Ben Spencer, Jacob Kash, Guido Costantino, Robby Begley, (middle row from IeH) Aron Dolney, Adam Pitcole, Kyle Anioli, Ryan Archuiffe, Ryan Zerona, Michael Kruszka; (back row, from IeH) assistant coaches Bob Begley and Rich Harvey, and head coach Pat McAuliffe.



Blue Angels runner-up

The Livonia Blue Angels posted a 7-1 record and finished runner-up at the American Youth Basketball Tour national tournament, July 17-20, in Fort Wayne, Ind. The seventh-grade squad lost in the finals to the host Spiece (Ind.) Wolfpac, 36-32. The tourney consisted of teams from Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. Members of the Blue Angles include: Nolan Bradford, David Daskal, Mario Ferrera, Michael Kenney and Jalien Weber; all of Livonia; Joe Fanning, Bobby Lavalley, Anthony Oasawa and John Rexroth, all of Farmington Hills; Anthony Schleuntz and Tyler Schleuntz, New Hudson; and Eddie Szczypka, Novi. The team was coached by John Bradford and Safaa Oasawa. (Not pictured are coaches John Kenger, Tim Jeter and Pat Fanning.) Oasawa also captured the tournament three-point challenge, sinking 11 triples in one minute while beating competitors from 103 other teams.





Bulldogs put bite on foes

The 12U Motor City Bulldogs, comprised mainly of players representing Wayne, Westland and Garden City, registered another outstanding summer of play, compiling 40 victories in 49 tries. Included in the team's achievements were first-place finishes in the 12U Northwest Suburban League, Northville Early Bird Tournament, USSSA South Farmington Blues Invitational and USSSA AA World Series. A runner-up showing in the BPA State Championship earned the Bulldogs a bid into next year's BPA World Series. Pictured above (back row, left to right) are Bulldog coaches Ron Hollenbeck (Wayne), Al Ledesma, Ken Montroy (Garden City), Jason Wetmore, (Wayne) and Rob Moyers (Garden City) and players (middle row, I-r) Sammy Hollenbeck, Jake Ledesma, Miles Molnar, Cody Montroy, Brendan Wetmore, Robbie Moyers, (Cottom row, I-r) Vinnie Bakerian, Austin Atwood, Chase McKitrick, Travis Kidd, A.J. Montie and (front center) batboy Nick Wetmore.



Titans remembered

Iteans remembered basebalt lean, a lo-and-under travel basebalt lean, defated the bearborn heights Diamondbacks to capture the Livonia Summer Showdown, July 23-25, at Bicentennial Park. The Titans also placed first this season in the Milan Spring Classic and the Mayor's Tournament in Battle Creek, along with a second place finish at the Pinckney Pirates Baseball Classic. Members of the Titans include (bottom row, from left): George Ferguson, Matthew Smith, Connor Beck, Jake Beaune, Joe Kubeshesky: (second row, from left) Cody kanclerz, carl Clapp, Devon Dunn; (third row, from left) Watter Walker, Christopher Fazica, Danny Morris; (back row, from left) cuach Dave Kubeshesky and manager John Fazica. Other team members not pictured include lan Juszczyk, Jacob Kenward and Alex Reeves.

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Plymouth, Canton grads spoof on vampire movies in musical

BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER

DESTAFE WRITE DESTAFE WRITE Find more humor than heartthrob in the *Twilight* vampire saga? Tyler Dean does too. The 2010 Plymouth High School graduate pokes fun at the current trend in teen vampire romance books and films with an ambitious proj-ect – *Love Sucks: A Vampire debuts Thursday, Aug.* 19, on the Debois Little Theater stage in Canton High School. "My friends and I joke about vampire books and movies a lot," said Dean, who began writing dialogue and song lyrics last year. Thad some material and thought about is any each thought about is a tyles. Thad some material and during school karth College and didn't get a chance to see his friends as much during school. Writing and produc-ing a musical seemed like a perfect way to bring everyone toolege. "This was something we

together before heading off to college. "This was something we could all work on and bring our friendship back together. I didn't think it would go any-where," Dean said. "Getting the venue was a huge hurdle. Even going through the audi-tion process... I don't think it truly hit me yet that the thing was actually going up. The fact that we're in the rehearsal process horrifies me because I know it's happen-ing. There's a lot of expecta-tion riding on this. I'm morti-fied, but at the same time I'm loving it."

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Dean finished the script in February, including some

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Cast: , Tyler Dean, Olivia Rhoades, Molly Wallace, Rachel Palgut, Jack Construction of the second sec Gabriel Richard, and Lori Cairo and Rachel Curtis Crew: Katina Donoghue, Sarah Spencer, Geoff Landis, Julia Salata, Rachel Sandoffsky, Nathan Brown, Vicky Galanos, and Sam Phillips

lyrics, and began collaborat-ing on music with a friend he'd made at Schoolcraft. Mike Tooman, a 2008 South Lyon High School graduate, plays keyboards and is lead singer in the band, Avienne. He writes original songs for the band, but penning musi-cal theater-style tunes was a departure for the rock musi-cian.

departure for the total addition cian. "Definitely it was a differ-ent kind of music," Tooman said. "We totally came from two different worlds when we started collaborating. He came from the theater world and I was coming from the background of music, more rock music than theater." But the pairing clicked.

rock music than theater." But the pairing clicked. Dean would sing a stanza or two of a tune and Tooman would compose on keyboards. "We'd have vague ideas for melodies and then flesh them out until they became full songs," Tooman explained.

Cast members will sing about 20 songs, including *The New Dork in Sporks* and *Blood Drive Hand Jive*. The story parodies the *Twilight* book "pretty strongly." Dean said, borrowing from its plot and characters and then the story and the song and Edmund creaters and then Annabella Song and Edmund Creation and Song and Edmund Song and Edmund Song and Edmund Song and Edmund Song and Song

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Frankie DiNicola, (clockwise from left), Tyler Dean, Roxana Gamble, Michael Albert, Dee Gross and Olivia Rhoades, gather for rehearsal.

years. Dean performed at Psynoth High School his senior year and has worked as an extra in a few of the factor movies that have been funced in Werkey and source of the Productions show at the Village Theater, but had never written, pro-duced, directed and action and vince thile being in it. The hard to watch a scene and direct while being in it. The hard to watch a scene and direct while being in it. The cast is a group of all-stars. They know what they are doing, they have great your of the sent is a group of all-stars. They know what they are doing, they have great sources and they are naturally liarious; he said. Tooman hopes it all adds up to agreat experience for the sources co. We're having fun with it's a parody. It's not very deep, but it has some really down the pople to walk away just want people to walk away just watching the show."

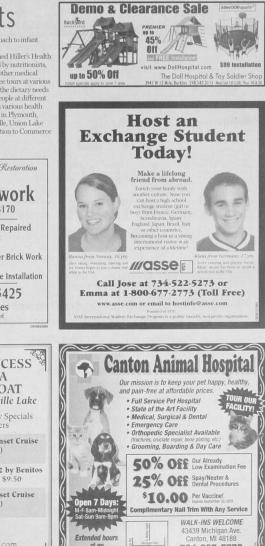


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Tyler Dean directs and acts in a musical parody about vampires. He also wrote the script and song lyrics. Olivia Bhoads (background) plays his yampire sister. Allison



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W, 14 Mile. Dr. Daniel Schnaar, a pediatrician at Child Health Associates in Farmington Hills and Troy, and registered dictitian Julie Feldman, who specializes in pediatrics, will be on-site to provide valuable dietary advice for feeding little ones. Think it's a great idea that Hiller's is having ababy food Stour. I can picture parents stand-ing in front of the baby food aisle and being unsure what to reach for, 'Schnar stated. When babies start solid foods, it's a learning experience for both them and their parents. Im happy to help parents have a healthy and devel-

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When, where and how should parents start feeding a baby solids? Experts involved in Hiller's markets new community outreach pro-gram will help parents navigate store shelves to find the appropriate cereals to give babies and the best fruits and vegetables to introduce – along with instruction on how to prepare them

Carleton Cromwell. Dean, who has been accepted into the University of Michigan's theater program to study act-ing, plays Edmund Cromwell, the play's main vampire. Although Dean said he learned "a ton" about orga-mizational skills and com-munication while producing and directing *Love Sucks*, his LENGTHY RESUME He was in fifth grade when he performed in his first · show through the Plymouth Arts Council. More than 20 shows with Forever After Productions in Canton fol-lowed over the next several Free program focuses on feeding infants

COMMUNITY LIFE

Hot water, vinegar remove mineral buildup



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Well Tom, let me give you a remedy for door problems in top load wash-ing machines that I have prescribed for years. It is a good practice to perform this task at least once a year from the time you purchase a new washer. Fill the up the hot water heater if necessary or yeven boil some water in a pot and add it to the already filled tub. The hotter the water, the better it works. Add two gallons of vinegar and set the timer for 10-14 minutes of agitate cycle. Turn on the machine and let it agitate but stand by to shut it off when the agitate cycle is complete. You do not want to let any of the hot water and vinegar pump out of the wather. Now let the machine sit in the off position for the next 24 hours and thest of the cycles. This cure has proven to be very effective in removing the mineral build-up that occurs in the outer tub of awashing machine.

MARKING CLOTHING You may be asking what mineral deposit he is writing about. In the old days when I used to rebuild old washing machines and sell them to customers who couldn't afford a new one, I stripped every washer down to bare bolts. We

The event costs \$3 for nonmembers. Parking is available on Himes Drive or Ann Arbor Trail. SEMBA is dedicated to educating individu-als about lepidoptera and their habitats, instill-ing and fostering a passion for nature in others

would clean the inside of the outer tub and use a small fireplace shovel to scope out the layers of harden mineral deposits. There was so much of this mineral that in time it breaks off into chunks and begins to travel into the wash load leav-ing marks on your clean washed clothes. Many people go out and purchase a new washer thinking their transmission is leaking oil and putting marks on the clothes. On the subject of odors let mainform

leaking oil and putting marks on the clothes. The subject of odors let me inform you of an area seldom thought about by homeowners. It's the standpipe that the drain line from the washer goes into. If you don't have a laundry tub you have a standpipe. The drain hose fitting into this pipe must not fit tight. It must have some play or fit loosely or else the wash-ing machine will act as a vacuum while it is operating and suck into the washer the odor that is in the household drain sys-tem. You can correct this by purchasing a little extension piece to match the neces-sary sizes. Once again, nice to be back. Enjoy each day. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m., Saturdays or WAAM 1600 and Súndays at 2 p.m. on WDTK 1400. You can e-mail your problems and questions on appliances to appldr@twmi.rr.com

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Gorgeous greyhound

Hello there, my name is khioe. As you might already realize I'm a retired racing Greyhound in search of my very own family. I've been retired now about a month and while my foster family is wonderful and I'm loved, how wonderful would it be to have a family of my very own. I'm 3 and have a playful personality. I'm a red fawn color and I have eyes that will melt your heart. How to be loved. If these things are characteristics you have been searching for in a companion pup, you might just be the family I've been waiting for. Please call Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption at (866) 438-4739 and check out our website at www.greyheart.org

Group seeks diapers for needy kids

The Detroit Area Diaper Bank, a nonprofit charity pro-viding diapers for people in need in Southeast Michigan, has launched its second annu-al fall Diaper Drive in hopes of collecting 100,000 diapers of the funds to buy them by thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25 No federal assistance pro-grams pay for or provide dia-pers. Nonprofit organizations and state agencies working with families and individu-als in crisis consistently list diapers as an ongoing and top need.

need. An average infant uses up to 12 diapers per day. Toddlers use up to eight per day, but

The Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association will show a film about back-yard butterflies at its next meeting, 7 pm. Wednesday, Aug. 18, at Nankin Mills Nat Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland.

in low-income households, a baby may be in a single diaper all day or longer, increasing the risk of health problems from skin disease to hepati-tis. Parents who can't afford diapers can't leave their child at day care to go to work or school. Some children with disabilities never outgrow the need for diapers and seniors who can't afford incontinence supplies often become home-bound or end up in a nursing home.

bound or env or ... home. The Detroit Area Diaper Bank exists to address this largely unknown and chroni-cally unmet need. "Our goal for the '100,000

by Thanksgiving' Diaper Drive is of course primarily to bring in resources that we can distribute to our partner agencies working with our neighbors in need. But we also hope it helps to raise aware-ness about the diaper issue and engage the community in our mission. We are always in need of individuals, busi-nesses, schools, community in need of individuals, busi-nesses, schools, community organizations and places of worship to run fund-raisers and diaper drives to support the Diaper Bank, whether it's before Thanksgiving or not," stated Marybeth Levine, executive director and founder of the Detroit Area Diaper

An average infant uses up to 12 diapers per day. Toddlers use up to eight per day, but in low-income households, a baby may be in a single diaper all day or longer, increasing the risk of health problems from skin disease to hepatitis.

Bank. "The diapers go out just as quickly as they come in, so we are looking for year-round partnerships and support to help us really make a differ-ence with diapers." For more informa-tion on donating, visit ww.detroitareadiaperbank.org

Gardeners: Calling all green thumbs

It's time to stop and smell the flowers — and then photo-graph them. We're looking for photos of local gardens, now at the height of their summer bloom, to run in an upcoming issue. Show us what you've toiled at all summer and share it with readers. E-mail a jpg of your garden or flowering land-

scape and include a garden tip. Send to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com. For printed photos mail to her at Observer Newspapers, 615 Lafayette, level 2, Detroit, Michigan 48226. Don't forget to include your name, com-munity and a contact phone number or e-mail address.

In a book club? Let us know about it!

Do you have a neighborhood book club you enjoy being a part of? Do you and your book club get together regularly to talk about what's new in books, pore over plots and characters, all the while enjoying each other's company? Tell us about your book club and it may be featured in an upcoming edition of Hometownlife Woman. Photos with people and the club identified are also welcome at jebrown@hometown-life.com (jpegs, Please). For more, call presentation editor Julie Brown at (313) 222-6755.

Butterfly film scheduled for Aug. 18 in Westland and establishing and preserving the environ-ment for butterflies, skippers and moths. For more information about the upcoming meeting, call (734) 326-0578 or visit www. sembabutterfly.com.





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Cars wheeling into **American Legion Post** for summertime fun

BY JULIE BROWN

Paul Lemieux of Livonia and Dave Heckman of Farmington Hills were glad to talk Corvettes last Thursday evening at the American Legion Post

evening at the American Legion Post 32. The post on Newburgh in Livonia hosts Thursday evening car shows all summer, drawing some 50-100 cars each week. Thursday's beauti-ful weather brought out Lemieux with his 1959 white Corvette and Heckman with his 1960 black Corvette. "Almost 80 years between the two of us," Heckman said of their own-ership. "That's a lot of ownership." He's had his car nearly 40 years, and also has a 1979 Corvette. Lemieux's owned his Corvette since 1967. "I like them because they're fiber-glass," Heckman said. You don't have to vorry about rust." The men said the restoration wasn't too labor-intensive, nor is mainte-nance. "You're only driving them four or five months a year, noce or twice a week," Heckman said. His was a fam-ily car. Lemieux said, "You don't see cars like this anymore." They enioy the

ily car, a vacation car, and "now it's a hobby car." Term and the second second

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A customized 'Bad Humor Ice Cream' truck was at the Thursday, July 29, car show at the American Legion Post 32 on Newburgh in Livonia

It's all happening at the zoo

Detroit Zoo admission prices are only \$5 for all guests after 5 p.m. on Wednesdays in August. The zoo is open until 8 p.m. for the Wild Summer Nights concerts, which take place in the Main Picnic Grove from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Guests can enjoy the cooler evening tem-peratures and rock out to Gia Warner on Aug. 4, Mr. Seley and The Troublemakers on Aug. 11, Jill Jack on Aug. 18 and Jody Ralfoul on Aug. 25.

25. The Detroit Zoological Society is a nonprofit organization that operates the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Zoo. Situated on 125 acres of naturalistic exhibits, the Detroit Zoo is located

at the intersection of 10 Mile and Woodward Avence, just off 1-696, in Royal Oak. The Detroit Zoo is open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April through Labor Day (with extended hours until 8 p.m. Wednesdays during July and August), 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. the day after Labor Day through October and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. November through March. Regular admission is \$11 for adults 15 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$7 for children ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free. The Belle Isle Nature Zoo is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. year-round; admis-sion is free. For more information, call (248) 541-5717 or visit www.detroitzoo.org.

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Gerry Gerwatowski was a show winner July 29 with his GTO at the American Legion car show in Livonia





STOW & GO SELF STORAGE AUCTION NOTICE

Pursuant to state law, Notice is hereby given that a public auction will be held at STOW & GO SELF STORAGE, 41999 ANN ARBOR ROAD, PLYMOUTH, MI on August 21, 2010 at 10:00 among past due tenants listed below. The entire contents of the following units will be auctioned and sold to the highest bidder on each individual unit. CASH ONLY! DESCRIPTION IS BRIEF SUMMARY OF ITEMS, MAY OR MAY NOT CONTAIN MORE OR LESS ITEMS. Unit #339 - JAMES ALTER, P.O. BOX 512, DEARBORN HTS. MI 48127 Lumber, tape player, alarm clock, fax machine, mise boxes, and other misc. items CHERYL HAUGHT, 796 ADAMS ST, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 Extension Ladder, (2) carpet vacuums, and mise boxes, and other mise. items JEREMY WALKER, 955 WASHTENAW, YPSILANTI, MI 48197 Punching bag, (full) mattress, stereo speakers, table and misc. boxes, misc. storage boxes, and other misc. items Unit #B-18- JAQUITA GREEN, 42567 ARGYLE CIR BLDG #36, CANTON, MI 48187 Fishing pole, slot car set, toolbox, TV, (2) old bicycles, misc. storage boxes, and mixc. boxes, and other misc Unit #103 - CECIL WHITE, 8268 PARKSIDE, WESTLAND, MI 48185 1940/S Ford car, Carrier home air cond., Homelight gas water pump, xmas tree, tool bag, 2° fire hose, elect drain snake 26', large tent, engine hoist, garden swing, wood pillar box of cable, wheel measure, misc. boxes, and other misc. items Unit #653 - ERIC BABLER, 9282 GENERAL DR STE #170, ST, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 XMOUTH, MI 48170 Extension Ladder, floor jack, tool box (3), ratchet tirap, power sander, table saw, (3) drill motors, photo oppier, pallet jack, scaffold, large super caulk gun, gas ans, (9) boxes of 30' metal channel, misc. lawn signs, misc boxes and other misc. items. Unit #437/ VILLA DE ROMA, PAUL PAPARELLI, 18769 GILL 438/423 - RD, LIVONIA, MI Restaurant equipment, catering equipment, decorations (seasonal), canopies, misc. boxers, and other misc. items SALE DATE IS AUGUST 21, 2010 AT 10:00 A.M. ublish: August 5 & 8, 2010



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ANTHONY-KORONA

Dan and Nancy Anthony of Canton, announce the engage-ment of their daughter, Sarah Christine, to Matthew John Korona, son of Jim and Jean Xorona also of Canton. Sarah is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University and is enrolled in graduate school at the University of Cincinnati. She is employed as an assets protection executive Matt will graduate in December 2010 with a degree in criminal justice. The wedding will be held in February 2011 at Ste. Anne's Church in Detroit.



TWINS BORN

Kylie Lynn Mellis and Kenzie Lauren Mellis were born July 8, 2010, in Botsford Hospital, Farmington Hills. They joined proud parents Brent and Tara Mellis and Tyler, 28 months, at home in Brighton. Grandnarente are Serve

Brighton. Grandparents are Steve and Marilynn Ditchkoff of Bonita Springs, Fla., and Jim and Barb Mellis of Canton. Great-grandparents are Doris Hartnell of Bonita Springs, Fla., and Cameron and LaRue Mellis, Farmington Hills.



Flynn Martin Poullelaouen

FLYNN MARTIN POILLE AOUEN

Flynn Martin Poullélaouen was born May 18, 2010, at EuroClinic, Bucharest, Romania.

Romania. Proud parents are Colleen and Guy Poullélaouen of Livonia. Big brother is Liam Martin, 2. Grandparents are Barbara J. Karamon of Livonia and Guillaume Poullélaouen of Kerguen, France.

WOMEN EARN MEDALS FROM SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Two Canton women were among the top three winners in their competitive vents last month at the 2010 Special Olympics USA National Games held in Lincoln, Neb.

uncoln, Neb. Emily Campbell, 20, competed in aquatics and placed first in the 25-yard butterfly, earning a gold medal. She also took a gold medal in 50-yard freestyle placed sixth in the 100-yard reestyle and the 4-by-50-yard med-ty relay.

If easyle and the 4-by-30-by-10 integ-ley relay. Campbell enjoys playing Wii and com-puter game, sitening to music and dancing, when she's not swimming. Julie Trubiowski, 22, has been involved with Special Olympics for 14 years. At the National Games she placed third in the 100-meter run, the 200-meter run, the long jump and the sholput. In her spare time Trubiowski likes to

shotput. In her spare time Trublowski likes to play with her dog Chopper, ride her bike and exercise.

ALBERT "AL" LEO LEONARD

LEUNARD Age 84, passed away August 4, 2010 in Tawas City, MI. Al was born October 12, 1925, in Corning, Atkansas, son of Betty and Willie Leonard. Al worked 35 years at the Ypsilanti Ford Plant and owned and operated Leonards of Gutter Co. Yusson of Mi. He multi, MO. & thy elebaric differ 65th wedding amiver-sary March 4th, 2010. He is survived by his wife, Christine, seven children: Larry (Janet) Leonard of Spilanti, MI, Linda (David -d) Morin of Oscoda, MI, Brenda Leonard of Ypsilanti, MI, and Cousino of Westland, MI, Angela Leonard of Ypsilanti, MI, and Amy Cousino of Westland, MI, Angela Leonard of Ypsilanti, MI, and Amy Cousino of Westland, MI, dren, 12 great-grandchildren, two yenes, and will be deeply missed by his two loving cats, Tommy and bobby. He was preceded in death by his parents, five sisters and four broth-ers. Al will be deeply missed by his two loving cats, Tommy and looking heart and endlish patience and loving thereshereshere fungett and hearts and endlish patience and loving heart and endlish patience and loving of giving di

ANNEMARIE LILLY VAN VOORHIS

VAN VOORHIS April 2, 1932 - August 5, 2010. Loving wife of Tom Van Voorhis, mother of four, Oma to ten grandchildren. "Great is Thy Faithfuness." In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to Beaumouth Church in Northville located on Hagerty and 6 Mile Family will greet triend rat 100 on Moday. August by celebration memorial service at 2.00. Serving the family Lynch & Sons Fument Home, Walled Lake. Condolences at: LynchFAMILYFuneralD

ARTHUR J. TROMBLY

ARTHUR J. TROMBLY August 4, 2010 Age 95 of SouthField. Arthur grew up in Grosse Pointe Park and attended St. Ambrose Catholic School grade school and high school. He graduated from University of Detroit with Chemical Engineering degree. During college in the mid-p30s, he was a pickup musician for several big bands that would come into town and need a trumpeter. He worked regularly at the Grande Ballroom, Eastwood Gardens, and others. One of his more regular gizg was with the Bobby Grayson Band at the Book-Cadillae Hotel. He always believed hat the trumpet saved his ifte. Drafted in 1941 (before Pearl Harbor, the regular of a the Arow Division of the National Gard. While this division was sent to Germany early in the war (and deci-service to play trumpet in one of the arw bands. Soon he was enlisted on 4) Thesa-of a pre-war that, Arrow Division of the sec-tor of a pre-war that and the and the sector of the sector of the and sector of the sector of the bands. Soon he was enlisted on Manhattan Project, not at Los mos that at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in York City, Awarded the Legion of Non Shut at Columbia University in Non Shut at

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MAJ. GEN. NAIFF H. KELEL

RMY (Ret.) August 5, Age 90 of Farmington Proud officer and vet-f the US Army, retiring 36 years of service. ent and for AMC/Je len) and Robert Kelel (Cindy). vived by nine grandchildren graat grandchildren. Brother Bennett, Frieda Hartunian b, James Kelel (Shrivey) and the late Celel (Shrivey) and the late Celel (Mildred), Fred Kelel e) and Lillian Johnson (Bud). will receive friends at A.J. (& Sons (Yoasu, Rodgers & Chapel), 32515 Woodward Cala Mile Sunday 2-8 m.m. & Sons to Chapel), 32515 Woodwaru (1-14 Mile Sunday 2-8p.m. unday 5p.m. Funeral Mass I0a.m. at National Shrine of Flower, Woodward Ave. at Aile Rd. Visitation begins at undal tributes to aumont Foundation, 3601 W. Mile Rd., Royal Oak, MI bituary and share memories at



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Age 93 beloved m (deceased) Jerry Bu (David) Sager and Ji peacefully in her sl-Heartland Healthcarr born on Dec. 29th, 1 OK. She spent mos years in the small too nother of Sandra uehler and Karyn im Bezirium died leep July 31st, at iter. She was in Cherokee growing nter, MO, hool and where she we played the Fre ed in a class o at the age of 18 MI to be with quently to Ani her beloved Bariji (Jak chool and graduat left home Kingdom She löved her children and grandchildren very much, and also had a great-grandchildren. Karyn daithful example of how to live, but as her best friend 'She also loved her of Jehovah's Witnesses, especially when they would bring her appuccino's, and joke around with her one of Delores most favorite things to do was to travel up to the the summer Some of her other tannily in the summer some of the other some tanne and the summer some of the other tanne and the neuronal service will be hear support (special) Mangements and the support some of the other some tang at the Kingdom Hall of chovah's Witnesses in the Kingdom Hall Arangements entrusted to Muehlig Arunen Chang, Ann Arbor.



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summed up in three simple "He Loved Mary".

1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 email: oeobits@hometownlife.com GENEVIEVE DRENNAN

GENEVIEVE DRENNAN Age 88, passed away peacfully among family on July 25, 2010. Longtime resident of Swanon, Oh. Fornerly of Plymouth and Kalamazoo. Mi Beloved wife of the late Howard (Spud) Drennan. Survived by children Bill, Mike (Glenna), Chery (Darrel) Baker, Patti (Denny) Wesenberg, John Grady and State State State State (Jyn), and Howard Lee (Paula). Also a very proud grandmother of 14, and friends will gather for a "Celebration of Life" on Friday, August 20, 2010, at the American Legion Hall on Hallet St. in Swanton, Ohio at 300 PM. A brief memorial service will be fol-lowed by music, Food and drink. In lieu of flowers, donations will be accepted by Hospice of Northwest Ohio, or The Salvation Army.



GRACE L. WAACK

GRACE L. WAACK Age 88, passed away peacefully on August 3, 2010. Spending there entire life in the Farmington/Livonia area, Mrs. Waack was retired from the Farmington school district. She resided and was actively involved in the Newburgh Village retirement the Livonia Senior Center. Pre-deceased by her loving husband Russell, children Douglas and Michael, and J fordhers. Survived by children Rutham, Russell (Rettia), John, Time Crossill, Rettia, John, Ann (Liz), 15 grandehildren and g great grandchildren. Also survived by her brother Harvey. Chapman, Visitation Friday 3-9pm, In State Saturday 10:00am until Funeral Mass. Thayer Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Farmington. Interment at Clarenceville Cemetery, Livonia.

HELEN O. KEHOF, NEL EDVARDS OF St. Charles. MO. formerly of fantor, MI, passed away peacefully in the second strategy of the second strategy of the second strategy of the second strategy of the second with the second strategy of the second fantor of the late Clifford M. Keboe grandmother of Danak (Scall) Keboe of St. Charles, MO and Karen grandmother of Danak (Scall) Keboe of St. Charles, MO and Karen grandmother to Michael, effries and Kevin (Patti) Keboe Great Grandmother to Michael, folton and Aiden Keboe Her two sisters, Hazel Holston and II.a Long worked at the Daisy Air Rifte plant in preceded her in death. Mrs. Keboe worked at the Daisy Air Rifte plant in greeded her in death. Mrs. Keboe worked at the Daisy Air Rifte plant in solven being Had. Two med Ra and Cherry Hill). Wesiland Memorial ontributions may be made to the American Harer Associated of the Gontrabution Ray the made to the American Harer Associated of the State amemory or leave a message and condence for the family state.



HUGH LEROY MORRISON HUGH LEROY MORRISD.7 Age 81 of Farmington Hills. Died August 3, 2010. Beloved husband of Naomi for 59 years. Loving fahter of Nichael (Sara) Morrison, and Karen (Sara) (Karen) Morrison, and Karen (Sara) Jennifer, Rachael, Christopher, and Nathaniel. Dear brother of Margaret (Marvin) Larson. Funeral Sunday 5 pm. (in state 4 p.m.) at Grace Chapel Presbyterian Church, 27996 Halsted Rd, Farmington Hills. Rev. Doug Walker officiating. The family will receive friends on Saturday from 3-8 pm. at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River Ave., (1 blk. Wo farmington Rd.), Memorial contribu-tions may be made to the AL2heimer's Asoco. 20300 Civic Center Dr., Ste. 100, Southfield, MI 48076.

IRIS V. MONTGOMERY

IRIS V. MONICOMERY July 29, 2010 age 83 of Westand. Beioved wife of the late Donald. Dear mother of Donan Mas Swain, Kathyn Ann (the late Bill) Blair & Gimiy Bradley. Sister of Helen (George) Sears, Wanda Angel & the late Kinard Montgomery. Also survived by 6 grandchildren & 6 great grandchil-dren. Funeral was held at the Uht Funeral Home, 54600 Glensewood Rd, Westland, Family requests memorials to Hospice of Michigan. Please visit and sign a tribute at www.uhtfh.com



JACK D. PERRY Age 60, passed away, July 31, 2010 at his home in the care of his loving fam-ily. Jack was a very generous and lov-ing husband, father and grandfather and always put others needs before his work. He is survived by his wife of 34 years Carol, his loving children, James and Christine, his beloved grandchil-dren, Hakim, Tahami and Alex. He is and Christine, his beloved grandchil-dren, Hakim, Tahami and Alex. He is a bottor Rohen member Albele and even the state of the state of the dis bottor Rohen member in-law Beverly Koster in 1995. Arrangements by PHILLDES FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online Curestock: www.philipsfuner-al.com

MARION F. CABLE

MARION F. CABLE Age 88, August 5, 2010 Beloved husband of Carol. Dear father of Edward, Mary Gail, Henry (Elizabeth), Mary Gail, Henry (Elizabeth), Franklin, John (Kristin) and the late Nick Father-in-law of Kathleen. Fordher of Dons Greider, Lois Hisel and Kenneth (Phyllis) Cable. Private services were held. Memorials sug-gested to Detroit VA Medical Center, Attr.: Voluntary Services www.santeiufuneralhome.com

MILDRED FREEMAN

MLIDRED FREEMAN Age 85. Long time resident of Livonia ML, passed away peacefully to survive 20 to her husband Donald and Sons John of Albuquerue NML and Alan of Irvine CA. Sisters Lillian Schenden and Margref Fusco. She was preceded by her brother Stanley Dobis of Livonia ML. A proud moth-er and devout catholic, Mildred (Birdie) worked in retail and volum-teered countless years at hospitals in Livonia ML and Menifee CA. She will be dearly missed and never for-gotten. Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will take place at thereing and the structure of the structure determined in the structure of the structure at the structure of the structure of



PATRICIA MAY SNYDER

Southfield, died Su of Southfield, died Sunday, August J, 2010 at the home of her daughter in Traverse City. Patricia was born on Sunday, August 18, 1929 to the late Charles and Virginia (Mulvay) 1955; Patricia was a member of First Baptist Church of Tavares, FL and formerly of Highland Park. Sha Baptist Church in Southfield. She enjoyed biopping, dhing and a movie, as well as sightseeing. Having attended col-lege to study interior design, Patricia enjoyed the opportunities to decorate and furnish her homes. Patricia is sur-vived by her children, Caraverse City, Steven (Chao) Snyder of Waterford, Goorge (Christingha) Snydet reitopher) Blouch of Traverse, Steven (Chao) Snyder of erford, George (Christina) Snyder Lake Orion, John (Rebecca) der of Edmunton, Alberta, ada, James (Debbie) Snyder of pka, FL. Also surviving are her grandchildern, Amanda and ett, Jacqueline, Joy and Desiree, en, Sarah and Hannah and Ty ter of TravGes, FLA site, Mother, ter Soare of Jupiter, FL, a step-virginia Smith of Raleigh, NC nepheve, Robert Smith, also of igh. Patricia was preceded in they her husband, her parents and iter-patricia may also be remem-Horugh memorial contributions Hospice or Cancer organization ur choosing. Reseatd. or Cancer organizat ing. Reynolds-Jonkh . Traverse City. MI.



th her family at her side folloving extended illness, She is survived her loving husband Louis, 3 sons frey C. Moto, Michael J. (Mary) toto, their children, Anthony L. and instopher A. Motto, and Murin J. rerry) Motto, and Mulery M. Motto. as of the Resurrection, with AM S. Patrick Catholic Church, 711 Skett Road, Brighton, Michigan IG. The family will begin receiv-friends at 9:30 AM at the church. Ille ou filowers, the family asks that a make a memorial contribution fingia's name, the family asks that of Fuer America Catholic Church of Your choice. Arrangements by hen Fuueral Home, Brighton.



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VIRGINIA D. FARMER Age 80 of Westland, July 30, 2010. Loving wife of the late Thomas. Dear mother of Patricia (James) McCloud, Brenda (Randy) Cleveland, Thomas (Mara), Randy (LecAnn) and karao (mandhaliden, 2 great grandchildren, grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, Merle Schrepfer Visitation and serv-ices were held at Vermeulen Funeral Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Deave a message of condolence or share a memory with the family log on to www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com



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American Cancer Society offers investment plans ment benefits for mid-career have switched from defined benefit retirement plans to less costly alternatives, uch as 401(k) defined contribution plans. While participants know how much they have contrib-tied to their 401(k) plans, they will not be certain of their retirement income because of the unpredict-able nature of stock market raturns and bond interest attes. However, through a DFCGA retirement income may be accurately predicted, because payments are con-tractually guaranteed by the American Cancer Society. Annuitants may defer the payments as long as they wish, understanding that the horder standing the theorem will be. Multiple DFCGAs plans enable individuals to increase their retirement income incre-mentaly to match their veds.

The American Cancer Society offers a planned gifts program that can help the donor financially, while also benefitting the orga-nization and its vision of a world with less cancer. Many estate plans have been substantially weak-ened or rendered obsolete by the economic downturn. Planned gifts offer innova-tive ways to revise estate plans to ensure that all family members are treated fairly.

The ways to terms cannot all family members are treated fairly. "The American Cancer Society has long been a sound, benevolent invest-ment avenue for those interested in benefiting financially themselves while helping to save lives from cancer, "stated Jo Strausz Rosen, American Cancer Society director of Planned Giving in Michigan. "With inflation at some of its low-est levels in more than a half century, planned giving can herican Cancer Society director of Alanned Giving in Michigan. "With inflation at some of its low-est levels in more than a half century, planned giving can herican Cancer Society Director of Alanned Giving in Michigan." With inflation at some of its low-est levels in more than a half century, planned giving can heri to the American Cancer Society planned giving can heri table gift annuities; charitable remainder trusts; and charitable remainder trusts; and charitable lead trusts. Certain business owners are able to take advantage of gift-purchase agreements. ANNUTIES

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gift-purchase agreements. **ANUITIES** A charitable gift annuity (CGA) is an option for retire-ment-age individuals who are looking for economic security. It offers higher rates than bank certificates of deposit or interest-bear-ing accounts; may be fund-ed with stock or cash; quali-fies for immediate income tax deduction and for pos-sible estate tax savings; and provides regular non-declin-ing payments for life, or for the life of the designated beneficiaries.

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HEALTH

Learn where sugar is hiding in your food and why it is a danger to you when too much is consumed, at a workshop, 6:8 p.m. Monday, Aug, 9, at Alfred Aobie Library, 32901 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Presented by Dr. Carol Ann Fischer. For more information call TCL Holistic Wellness at (T34) 664-6310. Diabales sumert

can to hustic weiness a (134) 664-6310. Diabetes support Dawn Crane from the Michigan Department of Community Health will talk about "action planning" and setting goals, along with other strategies to stay on target, at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 11: in the hospital auditorium, at St. Mary Mercy, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. She will teach participants how to set small and achievable goals to help manage diabetes on a daily basis without feel-ing overwhelmed. The session is free. (734) 655-8950

Baby basics

Jaby Dasics St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers a combined class on the basics of infant care and breastfeeding, 10 a.m. to 330 p.m., Saturday, Aug, 14, in Classroom SL2, at the hospital, 36475 frive Mile, Livonia, Participants should bring a stuffed animal or doll to use during a demonstration on how to hold the baby when breast-feeding and their lunch. There will be a 45-minute lunch break. This class is open to anyone who cares for an infant. To register, call St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-162, www.stmarymercy. org.

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JOUD UTVE St. Mary Mercy Hospital and the American Red Cross are partnering in a blood drive campaigin from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 19, in the hospital Auditorium. Donate blood and receive a free ice cream bar. Donors will be entered into a drawing for Cedar Point Tickets. Iw tickets will be drawn for those who participate between 6 a.m. to noon and two tickets for those who partic pate from noon to 6 p.m. To schedulu an apoointment call (800) GIVF-LIFE n noon to 6 p.m. To schedul ntment call (800) GIVE-LIFE or visit redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins are accepted, but appointments are preferred. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile, at Levan ONGOING

Fitness classes

Exercise classes for men and women continue through April at the Metropolitan Seventh-Day Adventis School, 1586 Maggerty, north of Five Mile. Jeanle Weaver is a certi-fied personal fitness trainer with 30 years of teaching/training experi-ence. The sessions infuse Pilates, functional strength training, balance work, flexibility and motivational techniques in a 90-day fitness plan. Cali (248) 446-9176 or (313) 300-957. E-mail jeaniewaver@Charler.net. **Overeaters Anonymous**

IVERCEATER SANDAY MOUS Meet 7 pm. Thursdays in the Courtyard Room at Unity of Livonia. Church, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebeit and Inkster roads. Livonia; and 7 pm. 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. 0.aorg.

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,

Caregivers support group

St. John's Support Group for the Caregivers of Alzheimer's Patients or patients with other forms of dementia meet the first and third friday of each month at 10 am, at 51. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care for your loved one will be provided. Call Connie Moxtut at (134) us95 1426 for informa-tion. Authorized by the Alzheimer's Association.



State offers free nicotine patches, gum, lozenges

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is encouraging smokers who want to quit cigarettes, cigars, pipes or chewing tobacco to take advantage of free nicotine placement products by calling the Michigan tobacco Quitline. The Quitline phone number is (800) QUIT-NOW (784-8669) and registration is available around the clock. The program will pro-for incotine patches, gum or lozenges to all tobacco sers who are age 18 and over and meet basic here program is available to all callers regardless of income or insurance status. The community whealth department also will continue to provide the same products to the heast and are provided on a first come, first served basis. To be eligible, call-ers must enroll in ces-stion services with Michigan Tobacco Quittine at (800) QUIT

residents enroll with the Quitline, they will receive a personal coach who will assist them in setting a quit date and making an individualized quit plan. The personal coach also will offer on-going sup-port with up to five tele-phone coaching sessions around the caller's quit date. "Callers using nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) along with sup-port through a telephone-based service like (800) QUIT NOW can increase their chances of remain-ing smoke-free by 28 percent compared to quit-ting cold turkey," stated Dr. Greg Holzman, chief medical executive for the Michigan Department of Community Health. "Providing access to free NRT during this promotion will greatly enhance MDCH's mission to take steps to prevent disease, promote wellness and improve quality of life."

life." The Michigan Tobacco Quitline has received nearly 34,000 requests for assistance since it was launched in October 2003. For more informa-tion visit www.michigan. gov/tobacco.

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How Your Job Search Is Like Selling a Home

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You've lived in the san home for 10 years. It's comfortable and dependable, and the neighbors are great, but you're ready for a change You know it's time to You know it's time to move on, but you're afraid your house won't sell in a market where buyers are super-selective and have tons of attractive housing options. Sound familiar? Selling a home in the current buyer's market is a lot like looking for a new job in an oversaturated applicant pool. It's risky, you may have to invest time and money and try some unconventional methods in order to get results, but in order to get resurts, that doesn't mean it's we've combined tips from MSN.com's real-estate guide with the advice of Joan Armon, a

Chicago -area real-estate broker and certified home stager, to offer up these tips on selling a home i buyer's market -- and buyer's market -- and how you can apply them ir job sear

Do your research e you decide to sell our home, check out the housing market in your area. Are a lot of houses listed? What's the typical asking price for hom nparable

to yours? Is your area up and coming, or on the outs? Finding the answers to these questions will help in determining the price of your home and how long it will take to

sell How it applies to your job search: When starting a job search, it's of the market you'll be entering. Find out where the jobs in your industry are, in terms of both sector and geographic location. Have salaries in your field decreased since the start of the recession? Are job openings in your field being advertised? Conducting such research will help you decide where and how to decide where and how to target your job search. For example, if there aren't many job opening; where you live, you may start thinking about a move to an area with greater opertunity. Prepare to sell

Before you put your home on the market, clean it from top to bottom, touch up the paint and make any repairs to restore functionality or visual enced. Home

appeal. Home improvement is important for two reasons: When you take pictures for the listing, your home will be in top shape, and if you happen to get buyer interest right away, the home will be ready to

Armon says that showing your home in top-notch condition is especially important in the current market, since buyers are



looking for homes in move-in condition and don't want to take on the extra cost of making repairs themselves once they move in. How it applies to your job search: Like a house up for sale, it's probably been awhile since you were "on the market," so it's time to take an

First, check out your interview clothing. Is it in good shape? Does it still fit? Does it need dry cleaning? If it can be repaired or needs cleaning, take care of that before sending out résumés, so vou will be

pick out the right outfit and have any necessary alterations made. Second, make sure all of your professional skills ind certifications are up

and certifications are up-to-date. (For example, if you're a flight attendant, ensure that all of your requisite training is current. If you're a nurse , renew your license.) Like a home buyer, employers are going to want new employees to be "move-in ready."

Make the most of your listing

A good listing will help you gain a buyer's interest and distinguish

your home from all the others on the market. It should focus on the features that make your home unique and

appealing. For example, Armon says "Highlight the location if it is close to schools or transportation. Also important are any improvements that have been done ... [for example] if the home has granite, stainless steel appliances, finished basement, crown molding or hardwood floors." This is also where your research comes in. If you found that a lot of young families have moved into your neighborhood recently, emphasize how great your school district

How it applies to your job search: Just like a home search: Just like a home listing, your résumé should highlight your best features and what sets you apart from other applicants. Ask yourself, "What are my key selling points?" Do you have special training relating to your field? Did you start your last job as an hourly worker and leave as a manager? Have you worked at "name brand" company? If so, highlight these features on your résumé.

Evaluate the offers

In a buyer's market, sellers often go one of two ways. Some have a hard time accepting any

offer because they can't let go of what their house used to be worth or what they paid for it a few Other ball years ago. Others believ years ago. Others believe they are lucky to even get an offer on their home, so they jump on the first offer they get, even if it is well below the asking price. In either situation, it's important to be realistic. Negotiation is key, Armon says. "Even the smallest counteroffer lets the buver know that the smallest counteroffer lets the buyer know that you are willing to work with them," she says. If months have gone by and no offers have been received, it may be time to re-evaluate your asking price. Is your home in the same price range as other homes on the market in your area? Have prices in your neighborhood dropped since the original dropped since the original listing? If your price is high or even in the same range as comparable homes in your area, you may consider dropping the price, even if it's only by a few thousand dollars. Often, though, if your home is reasonably priced and well-maintained, the only thing that will sell it dropped since the original

only thing that will sell it is a little bit of patience, so be prepared to wait

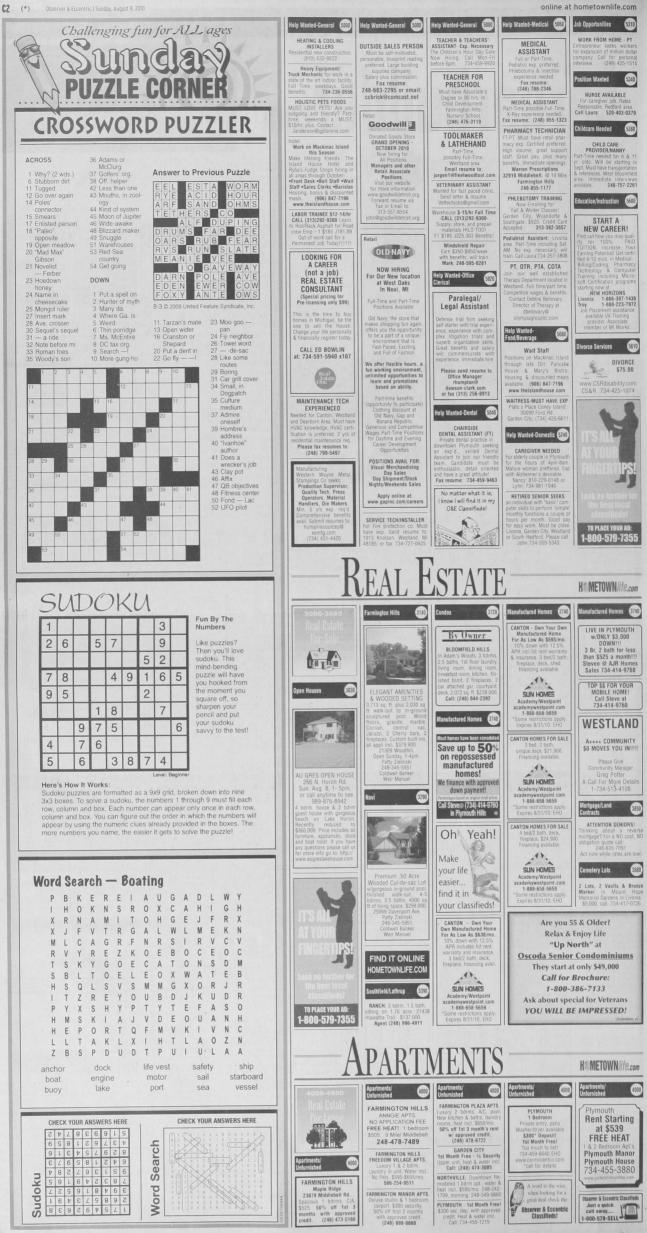
awnie. How it applies to your job search: Like home buyers, companies are watching their budgets. That means the same theorem and that even though you may have been worth X amount of dollars five years ago, your value may

have depreciated. Make sure to evaluate any job offers in terms of today's market, not by what you used to make. That's not to say you should just blindly accept the first job that comes your way. If the salary is downright unlivable or the job isn't at all what you're looking for, you may want to consider declining the offer. have depreciated. Make offer.

offer. Like a home, if you've been out on the job market for a few months and haven't gotten any and haven't gotten any interest, it may be time to re-evaluate. First, rethink your starting salary. You may be scaring away employers by putting out a number that is too high. Second re-evaluate your Second, re-evaluate your search. Are you applying for the right jobs? Are you taking the time to put forth quality, targeted If you believe your "asking price" is fair and you have a stellar résumé, you may a stellar résumé, you may just have to be patient. In job searches and in selling a home, good things come to those who wait.

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