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CONNECTION

Hearing set

Robert Bojaj of Farmington faces a preliminary hearing Sept. 24 before Judge Ron Lowe at 35th District Court in Plymouth.

The Farmington man is accused of killing 25-year-old Shelby Gunn of Westland in a traffic crash on northbound I-275 near Koppernick in Canton Aug. 15.

The hearing was delayed while lawyers waited for blood results from the Michigan State Police, along with other pretrial discovery.

Michigan State Police said they have a witness who reported a vehicle passed him at a high rate of speed before the accident. A blood-alcohol test was administered to Bojaj.

Bojaj was charged with second-degree murder in the death of Gunn; if he's convicted, he faces the possibility of life in prison. He's also charged with manslaughter with a motor vehicle, operating under the influence of liquor causing death and driving with a suspended license causing death. Those charges are all 15-year felonies.

Food drive

Skatin Station II and the Canton Goodfellows are partnering on a pair of can food drives designed to benefit Goodfellow programs.

The drives are scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 29, and again Wednesday, Nov. 10, at Skatin Station II, located at 8611 Ronda in Canton. Both drives run 6:30-8:30 p.m. Admission on both nights will be three cans of food or nonperishable items (skate rental will be extra).

For more information, visit the arena's website at www.skatinstation2.com or call (734) 459-6401.

Fly like an eagle

Lucas McKinney, an 11th-grader at Plymouth High School, who enjoys school, hanging out with friends, playing on the varsity football team and going to the movies with his girlfriend, now stands out from other 16-year-olds as a student pilot with his solo certificate.

According to David Phipps, a flight instructor with Kitze Aviation at Mettetal Airport, McKinney has been taking flying lessons at Mettetal, located at Lilley and Joy roads in Canton. He has learned about aerodynamics, lift and drag, takeoff and landing calculations, Cessna 152 flying and handling characteristics and even emergency light signals and radio calls.

"When practicing wing stall recovery, usually the most stressful maneuver for pilot applicants, Lucas just laughed and said, 'That was awesome,'" Phipps said. "Learning everything there is to know before an instructor lets you fly the airplane all by yourself is like completing a college course and getting an 'A' on your final exam."

According to Phipps, McKinney actually received his student pilot's license on his 16th birthday - before he went to the Secretary of State office and received his driver's license. McKinney received his pilot's license one day after his 16th birthday, according to Phipps, the minimum age for solo, according to the FAA.



PHOTOS BY ANN ESPINOZA

Cafeteria worker Annette Blevins waits for the lunch rush at the nacho station in Plymouth High School.

Meal money

Students, staffers embracing food service success

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education decided before the 2009-10 school year to end a 20-plus-year relationship with food service contractor Sodexo, it raised a lot of eyebrows and drew more than a few concerns.

A little more than a year later, most of those concerns have been quieted.

With things running more smoothly and the food service program turning a first-year profit of some \$230,000, all's quiet on the food front in Plymouth-Canton schools. And Kristen Hennessey, the food service manager the district hired to replace a popular, longtime Sodexo manager, knows exactly why.

"It was a culture change for the employees," Hennessey said of moving to an in-house program. "We were so successful in the first year because of the incredible staff. The majority of them were very eager to hear new ideas and try new things."

Hennessey was hired in May 2009, bringing with her some 16 years experience working for Aramark Education, a food service and facilities management company. She spent the rest of the 2008-09 school year observing, then started the job for real in September 2009.

FIRST THINGS FIRST

One of the first things the new regime did was take a survey to find



Plymouth sophomore Tommy Lemke gets the burger and tater-tot special.

out where the problems were. Since then, the staff has gone about trying to fix them.

According to Hennessey, the biggest problems - as the kids saw things - were the lack of variety of food and the length of time it took to get through the lines. Hennessey and her staff solved both problems: Shifting some food lines around between the high schools, and adding some variety to the menu.

Where kids basically had a chicken line and a pizza line, plus some a la

carte items, now they can get, among other things, pizza, several chicken items, Asian food, Mexican and subs.

"Students used to get some other variety items only occasionally," Hennessey said. "(Now) we've created a food court concept, so they can still get a full meal. That really wasn't what they were doing."

Lines also weren't consistent between the three high schools, something on which Hennessey and her staff focused

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Canton collector proud of his patriotism

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A wooden statue of Uncle Sam stands on Walter "Budd" Montgomery's front porch, proudly facing a U.S. flag. Smaller versions of Old Glory adorn his yard, near flowers and a signpost that reads "God Bless America."

In a tumultuous era of polarizing politics, Montgomery, 80, shows no symptoms of cynicism or apathy, and he displays his patriotism just as unwaveringly

as he did decades ago, when he started an Americana collection he estimates has grown to more than 700 items.

He has meticulously filled two rooms of his Canton home with pictures of presidents and letters they sent him, wooden carvings of American bald eagles, brass seals for every U.S. state, a Civil War-era poster of President Abraham Lincoln and his administration, Bicentennial medals, histori-

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Walt Montgomery has filled two rooms of his Canton home with what he proudly calls 'Americana.'

Rec director steps down from 'gift' job

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton Leisure Services Director Ann Conklin, who for a decade has overseen local parks and recreation programs that won national accolades and became the envy of other communities, confirmed Friday she will leave her job in late December.

"It has been a wonderful experience," she said, describing her imminent departure as "bittersweet" from a job that has "truly been a gift."

Conklin, 55, was hired in June 2000 to lead a restructured department of employees who have collectively drawn acclaim for pristine parks, recreational facilities such as Summit on the Park, events such as the soccer Canton Cup and township Liberty Fest, and the top-tier entertainment venue Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

In a crowning achievement, Canton captured the 2008 National Recreation and Park Association Gold Medal Award for U.S. communities with populations of 50,000 to 100,000 people.

Though Conklin conceded the award was significant, she downplayed it Friday and said she is most proud of the strides Canton Leisure Services made because of its employees, the township's elected leaders and community supporters.

"It's an end result of everybody working together," she said, adding later, "I love what I do. I have a passion for it, and I believe in what we do."

Conklin, with a \$124,048-a-year salary, has overseen a department of 60 full-time and 300 seasonal or part-time workers. While she has had differences with some employees, she said challenges are inherent in any high-level administrative job.

"We all have them," she said, "and that's what makes us stronger and better."

Conklin attributed her decision to leave to her desire to change career paths after three decades of being a top-ranking parks and recreation official, first in Howell and then in Independence Township before she was hired by Canton.

"It's time for a change and to explore some new opportunities," she said.

Township Trustee John Anthony said Conklin's expertise will be difficult to match.

"She's going to be missed, no doubt about it," he said. "She's a great Leisure Services director, and it's going to be tough to replace her. I feel like Canton has lost a lot with her leaving."

Supervisor Phil LaJoy said no formal decision has been made about the process for replacing Conklin, though he said he favors hiring internally if possible.

"I've always been a person who looks inside first if we can," he said.

Human Resources Manager David Medley said the township's Merit Commission could be

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Mom 2 Mom

The Plymouth Canton Mothers of Multiples host their semi-annual Mom-to-Mom sale 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 25, at West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trail (at Sheldon) in Plymouth.

The event features department-style shopping (grouped by boy or girl, then by size), fall and winter boys and girls clothing (newborn to size 10), sets for twins and triplets and multiples items, clothes, toys, baby gear, strollers, maternity clothes and a bake sale.

Admission is \$1, cash only, all sales final (no strollers before 10 a.m.). For more information e-mail pcmom@hotmail.com.

Spotlight auditions

Spotlight Players, the resident adult theater group at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton, announces auditions for "Proposals," by legendary playwright Neil Simon. This comedy is about the Hines clan and their gathering at their summer retreat one last time, 1953, with father Burt looking forward to the arrival of his ex-wife whom he still loves.

Auditions are Sept. 20-21, with registration starting at 6:30 p.m. and auditions from



Backpack donation

At the Canton Rotary meeting held Sept. 13, the club presented a variety of school supplies and backpacks to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Clothing Bank. It marked the fourth year the club has supported the clothing bank. Dorothy Blazek from the clothing bank accepted the donation. The clothing bank is located at Salem High School and is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. The bank provides free clothing to families and students in need. To donate or for more information call (734) 416-6179.

7-10 p.m. Performance dates are Nov. 12-14 and Nov. 19-21.

All auditions and performances are at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, in Canton.

Tickets are available by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or online at www.spotlightplayersmi.org or in person at The Summit on the Park or at the door. Box office opens one hour prior to show-time. Tickets are \$18/adults; \$16/seniors; \$16/students under 19.

For more information about Spotlight Players call (734) 480-4945 or visit www.spotlightplayersmi.org. Click on auditions.

Mackinac Island trip

Area seniors are encouraged to experience the ultimate Mackinac Island vacation at the magnificent Grand Hotel Oct. 11-14 during this annual autumn trip. This all-inclusive bus trip, presented by Canton Senior Center in partnership with the Michigan Recreation and Park Association (MRPA), is designed for individuals 50 years or older, but spouses, sons, daughters, and caregivers under 50 are also welcome.

This fun four-day getaway to Mackinac Island includes: roundtrip transportation; accommodations at the historic Grand Hotel; baggage handling, taxes and tips; a

full breakfast each morning; a five-course dinner each evening; carriage tours; nightly dancing; contests; movies; a history lecture; a walking tour; special discounts; a final evening celebration; and more!

"Our hope is that seniors don't miss this opportunity to experience the beauty and serenity of one of Michigan's great treasures," said Susan Doughty, Recreation Specialist. "The Grand Hotel has played host to many well-known names over the years, including several U.S. Presidents; Mark Twain; Madonna; and Barbara Walters. We'd love for as many seniors as possible to experience a visit to this historic gem where cars are not allowed and the horse and carriage is the favored mode of transportation."

Fees for this unforgettable trip are: \$869 single/\$679 double/\$620 triple. A deposit is due at the time of registration at the Senior Center and the registration deadline October 1, 2010. For additional information, contact the Senior Center Front Desk at 734/394-5485 or visit Cantonfun.org.

Service salute

Canton's Veterans Day Salute to Service takes place 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton.

Organizers are looking for anyone who would like to display memorabilia during the event. Anyone who'd like to

take advantage of the opportunity should contact Sean Fletcher via e-mail at sean.fletcher@canton-mi.org or call (734) 394-5472.

The focus this year will be on Korean War veterans. The Canton Cable Studio will be recording interviews with Korean veterans. Veterans who are interested in volunteering to be interviewed may contact Cable TV studio manager Dave Harris at (734) 394-5241.

Those who participate will be invited to the Salute to Service program and be honored during the program. They will receive a DVD of their interview.

The interviews will be compiled into a presentation for the Salute to Service program.

Call for crafters

The Delta Kappa Gamma Education Society hosts its annual juried handmade-only Craft Show on Saturday Oct. 16, at West Middle School in Plymouth from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The event draws some 1,500 customers and features food and drawings.

For information on how to take part, call or e-mail Judy Stone at JBSTONE716@comcast.net or Alice Chrenko, (248) 348-9610 or dachrenko@hotmail.com

Check out Canton

The Canton Economic Development office and the Canton Public Library have teamed up to help the community "check out" Canton

businesses.

"Check Out Canton" works like the library's very popular Museum Adventure Pass program. Local businesses supply special offers that patrons can check out from the library with a library card. Use the passes to save on goods and services throughout Canton.

Want to know what's being offered? Simply search the library catalog for "Check Out Canton" and you'll find a list of the businesses and their offers.

Businesses interested in participating in this program can call Canton's Economic Development office at (734) 394-5182.

Crafters wanted

Officials at St. Thomas a'Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley in Canton, are accepting applications for handmade crafts for their Christmas Craft Show, to be held Saturday, Dec. 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All interested crafters can e-mail craftshow@abecket.org or call St. Thomas a'Becket at (734) 981-1333.

CORRECTION

A story in the Sunday, Sept. 12, *Observer* should have said the "thumbs-up" consensus vote on whether the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools should proceed with the Dynamic Planning program should have said the 5-1 vote had Trustee Dianne Gonzalez voting "thumbs up."



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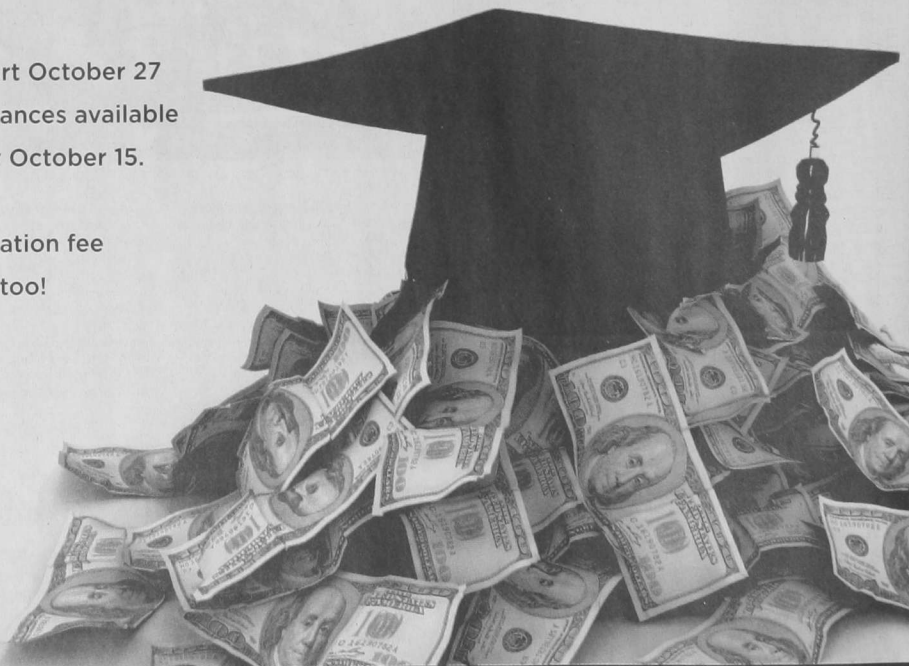
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Canton board honors Vietnam veterans



Canton Trustee John Anthony poses with Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 President Mike Steffes, Joe Agius, John Spencer, first vice president Jim Hodgson and Associate VVA member Nancy Spencer.

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A group of Vietnam veterans that formed an organization 20 years ago has been honored by Canton Township's elected leaders.

With just over 200 members, the Vietnam Veterans of America Plymouth-Canton Chapter 528 was lauded for their two decades of service Tuesday by the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

Chapter President Mike Steffes, Vice President Jim Hodgson, founding member Joe Agius and member John Spencer, accompanied by an associate member, Spencer's wife Nancy, attended the board meeting as township officials adopted a resolution honoring the VVA Chapter 528's 20th anniversary.

Reading from a formal resolution, township Trustee John Anthony noted that the national VVA was formed to guarantee that "never again

will one generation of veterans abandon another" — a reference to the lack of respect some people paid to Vietnam veterans at the time of the war.

Anthony also said the VVA was formed "to promote and support the full range of issues important to Vietnam veterans, to create a new identity for this generation of veterans and to change public perception of Vietnam veterans."

Since it was formed, VVA Chapter 528 has been involved in community events such as parades, educational programs, veteran funerals and memorial services.

VVA Chapter 528 meets at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at the VFW Post 6695, located at 1426 S. Mill Street just north of Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. For more information, visit the group's Web site at www.vva528.org.

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Canton police head effort to snag unneeded meds

BY DARRELL CLEM
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With prescription drug abuse increasing, Canton police have announced an effort to get unneeded medications out of local homes and turned over to federal authorities.

Anyone who has prescription drugs they don't need may bring them to the front desk area of the Canton Police Department, 1150 S. Canton Center south of Cherry Hill, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, police Sgt. Mark Gajski said.

Canton police will accept the drugs, which Gajski said will be placed in receptacles provided by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. "This is something new for us," Gajski said.

Federal authorities will properly dispose of the drugs.

The program comes amid studies showing that millions of Americans who don't need prescription drugs for legitimate medical reasons are using them, Gajski said.

"More Americans are abusing psychotherapeutic drugs than heroin, cocaine and hal-

lucinogenic drugs combined," he said.

According to a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration Web site, the abuse of prescription drugs such as Lorab, Lorcet, Vicodin, OxyContin and Methadone is increasing in Michigan.

The website cites Detroit as one of the cities from which OxyContin is transported and distributed to users in states such as Kentucky and West Virginia, where the drugs are sold for a high profit margin.

Anyone who wants to get rid of unused prescription drugs in their homes should bring them to the police department rather than disposing of the substances themselves, Gajski said.

"You never want to flush it down the toilet and introduce it to the water system," he said.

According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, flushing the drugs or pouring them down a drain may result in them ending up in lakes, streams and water supplies where "they may be harmful to fish, wildlife and their habitats."

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Drunken, distracted driving simulation a 'wake-up call'

BY KAREN SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

About 80 students at Schoolcraft College in Livonia experienced what it was like to drive while drunk or distracted Tuesday without actually going out onto the road.

The students participated in The National Alive Tour '10, which uses a high tech simulator, impact video and other resources to educate the students about the dangers of texting while driving and driving while intoxicated.

The program uses real cars that remain stationary, but the participants are able to accelerate, brake and turn. A 180-degree headset allows them to see shopping plazas as they "drive" by, pedestrians in the roadway, and the like.

"This is as close to driving as you can get without actually driving a vehicle," said Patrick DeGrasse, owner of UNITE International, the Grand Rapids-based nonprofit that puts on the program.

The college sponsored the tour as a public service; it was free to students.

DeGrasse said 99 percent of participants say they weren't aware of how dangerous texting while driving or driving while having only a couple drinks is. "It's definitely a wake-up call," DeGrasse said.

"A lot of the students do crash. The students are not set up to fail; however, the majority of them do."

Participants who fail or crash are issued mock tickets for drunken or distracted driving.

He said that tour simulates what it is like to drive after



Tabby Hadad, 18, of Plymouth, gets instructions from driving coach Jan Griffith.

drinking enough to have a blood alcohol level of .08, the legal limit, because that is when most accidents happen. Many people have the misconception that it's OK to drive when simply "buzzed," he said. "We want these students to realize just because you think you're not that drunk doesn't mean you aren't." He said the car simulates wide turns, delayed braking and other actions characteristic of a drunken driver. In the simulation, the driver is sober but the car is drunk, he said.

During the testing while driving simulation, the participants are sent a text they are

supposed to reply to.

In the meantime, during the simulations "things happen," such as a pedestrian walking out from between two parked cars.

"We're not simulating anything that couldn't happen in real life," DeGrasse said. He said the program has been proven to be effective.

Michelle Gaynier, communications coordinator for Schoolcraft College, said this is the third year a drunken driving simulator has been on campus thanks to the support of the Schoolcraft College Foundation. It was the first time for UNITE's program.

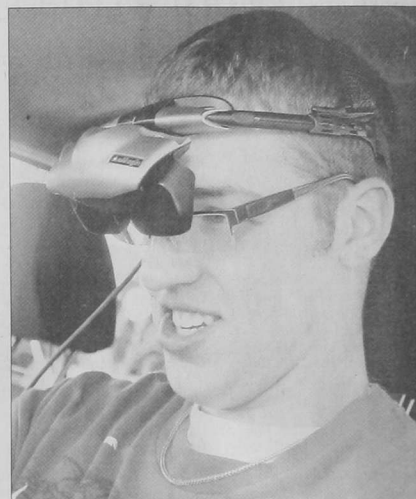
She said drunken and distracted driving programs have a tremendous impact not only those who experience the simulation, but also on those who observe the simulation and hear the feedback from the students after their experience.

Dozens of other students observed the 80 students participate in the simulation, she said.

Cheryl Hagen, dean of student services, said one of the school's top priorities is keeping students safe. "We are grateful to the Foundation for supporting worthy efforts like this one that engage and educate students with experiential learning through simulation," she said.



Mike Nshiat, 17, of Canton gets out of car after flunking the driving test.



Brad Beleski, 18, of Plymouth participates in the simulation.

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Canton man bound for trial on sex charges

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BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Canton man accused of sexually abusing a 13-year-old girl remains jailed with a \$1 million bond as he awaits trial in Wayne County Circuit Court on numerous criminal sex-related charges.

Horst Gustav Drost, 51, could face penalties ranging up to life in prison if he is convicted of three counts of



Drost
count of child sexually abusive activity.
Drost was ordered to stand trial after the girl testified

first-degree criminal sexual conduct, two counts of second-degree CSC, one count of using a computer to commit a crime, and one count of child sexually abusive activity.

Drost was ordered to stand trial after the girl testified against him during a Sept. 10 preliminary hearing in 35th District Court.

"She did a good job," Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner said.

Since the defendant was arrested in August, law-enforcement officials have combed through thousands of images on his computer, including many police labeled as child pornography.

"There are at least 1,000

images we've been able to confirm are likely child pornography," Detective Andrew Colthurst has said. "There are also images of the victim ... that are pornographic in nature."

Drost had initially been scheduled for an Aug. 27 hearing in 35th District Court, but it was delayed for two weeks as authorities sorted through the images they said they found on Drost's computer.

Of the charges against Drost, first-degree CSC is punishable by penalties ranging up to life in prison. Second-degree CSC is a 15-year felony, while the remaining charges of child sexually abusive activity and using a computer to commit a crime carry a potential 20-year prison term upon conviction.

involved in the process because it would have to give permission to simply seek candidates from within rather than broaden the search. Either way, he said, LaJoy would ultimately choose Conklin's successor.

"I'm going to have to have some discussion with the township supervisor in the very near future," Medley said. "I'm sure he's going to have some discussions with board members" from the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

The salary range for the position is \$95,419 to \$124,048, Medley said. He indicated that discussions also could center on whether to maintain the director's position for Leisure Services or to potentially revamp the duties and assign them to other employees as a cost-saving measure.

LaJoy lauded Conklin's job performance in a township that prides itself on its parks and recreation amenities and programs.

"She has made a significant contribution to the quality of life we know today in Canton," LaJoy said. "She has done an outstanding job, and we're going to miss her."

Conklin said she plans to take a few months off work and then might consider seeking a job as a consultant or with a nonprofit organization.

"I want to do something where I can really make a difference," she said. "I want to give back."

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COLLECTOR

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cal books and red, white and blue memorabilia such as a tie, a chair and a quilt, among numerous other items.

"I love this country so much," Montgomery said. "I just like everything it represents, because this is the best country in the world, and I've been all over the world."

A Detroit native, he worked as a teenager taking pictures on the Boblo boat long before he served in the U.S. Army in 1947-50 and 1956-59. Though his service took him no farther than Canada, that changed when he followed his father's path and became a U.S. Merchant Marine in 1961-70, traveling to countries such as India and Australia.

"I probably made 25 trips to Vietnam," Montgomery said.

A retired construction worker, he said he seriously started his Americana collection some 30 years ago. His wife, Janet, doesn't mind and has even bought a few items for him.

"I think he does a good job," she said. "He dusts it and cleans it, and I do the vacuuming."

They have three grown children and two grandchildren, who enjoy visiting because they know their sweet-tooth cravings can be satisfied by Montgomery's old-fashioned bubblegum machine.

In one room, pictures of U.S. presidents of both political



Walt Montgomery's bedroom is adorned with patriotic memorabilia.

parties can be seen, though Montgomery is a Democrat who recalls the year he wrote President Bill Clinton and received a Christmas card in return. He also penned a letter to President Barack Obama and got a reply thanking him for his support.

"I told him I thought he would be a good president. It didn't matter to me what race he is," Montgomery said, adding that he still supports Obama for reasons such as his efforts to extend unemployment benefits to laid-off, struggling Americans.

On one shelf in Montgomery's house, a bust of President John F. Kennedy stands next to a wooden American eagle, given to him by his late brother, Ronald.

"My brother lived in the Philippines and brought the eagle from there," Montgomery said. "He was in the Merchant Marines, too, and he later owned a bar in the

Philippines."

Montgomery has traded and bought his Americana collection mostly in Michigan, finding sometimes-rare items in places such as flea markets, yard sales and antique stores. However, he found items such as brass state seals as far away as San Francisco.

Montgomery and wife Janet share their Canton home with



Montgomery's collection includes pictures of presidents and letters they sent him, wooden carvings of American bald eagles, brass seals for every U.S. state, a Civil War-era poster of President Abraham Lincoln and his administration, Bicentennial medals, historical books, and red, white and blue memorabilia such as a tie, a chair and a quilt, among numerous other items.

a 9-year-old Pekinese, Zipper, and 10-year-old cat, Gage, who get along just fine. The pets

don't fight like cats and dogs like, say, some Republicans and Democrats are prone to do.

Montgomery appears well-liked in his subdivision, and he said his story wouldn't be complete without mentioning his friends and crime-fighting neighborhood watch buddies — Aaron Batchelder, Roger Craske, Kurt Long, John Long, Rick Bowling, Mike Donovan, Garrett Chandler and Mark Whitaker.

"They're waiting for me to play horseshoes if I ever get over this knee-replacement surgery I had" nearly a year ago, Montgomery said.

Knee surgery or not, nothing can keep him from tending to his patriotic collection. And if he tires of the items he has on display, never fear. Just ask his wife.

"He's got a lot of stuff still stored outside in the shed," she said.

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Fees	\$0	\$115,700
Total Expenses	\$4,346,620	\$4,219,122
Expense from Prior Year	\$0	\$82,000
Profit/Loss	\$231,271	\$44,967



Source: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

More students qualify for reduced-price meals

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's a sign of the times — an increased number of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools students qualify for free or reduced-cost lunches through the federal school lunch program.

That means more kids are also eating breakfast at school. Some 15 percent of Plymouth-Canton's 19,000 students qualified for the program at the end of the 2009-10 school year, compared to some 14 percent the year before, according to Kristen Hennessey, the district's director of food services. Figures for 2010-11 aren't yet available because families are still applying, she said.

While that statistic means more students also now qualify for the breakfast program, Hennessey said it won't have any operational impact on the district because Plymouth-Canton has for years offered breakfast at all its buildings, something that's not required based on numbers.

"That's huge, because a lot of districts, especially a dis-

trict that's only at 17 percent, wouldn't offer it because they don't have to," Hennessey said. "For us, it was all about education, about letting parents know they're eligible for this benefit."

It's an important benefit to have, Hennessey said, because studies show the impact a good breakfast can have on student achievement.

"Statistics tell it all," Hennessey said. "Teachers report there are fewer disciplinary issues, students are more attentive and they're ready to learn because their bellies are full."

Elementary school students pay \$2.50 per meal in the Plymouth-Canton district, while middle- and high-school meals range in cost from \$2.75 to \$3.50.

A family of four with an annual income of \$40,793 or less qualified for a reduced-cost lunch last school year; a family of four with an annual income of \$28,665 or less qualified for a free lunch, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture website.

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Students find the dining experience a little quicker and easier since food lines and a variety of food choices were added.

FOOD

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in their first year. Salem High School, Hennessey said, had been sort of "the" meeting place but changes throughout the campus have changed that.

SPREAD THE WEALTH

For instance, Hennessey found a little-used room at Canton High School and converted it into "The Bistro Room," a quiet, deli-style area with high tables and a soothing atmosphere. It had the convenient effect of adding yet another line at Canton.

"It has a really cool atmosphere, and the kids know we've invested something (in Canton)," Hennessey said. "They see we aren't just putting effort into Salem or the 'new' building (Plymouth)."

Donna Barnes, the cafeteria manager at Plymouth High School and a 13-year employee in the department, admit-



ted to a little angst when the board made the decision to ax Sodexo and bring the operation in-house, noting "things were good" under Sodexo.

"I'm very pleasantly surprised ... it's been a great change," said Barnes, who notes changes such as the line-shifting and additional food choices on the self-serve line have made lines go quicker. "Hennessey has blown this program out of the water."

ALL ABOUT CHOICE

Students are starting to notice the difference, in vari-

ety and in time.

"It's easier to get through (the lines)," said Plymouth High School senior Joey McBride, who noted a significant reduction in time wasted in line. "It's been getting better, the taste and the variety. Now we have subs and wraps and all that good stuff. We have Asian food; I'm not a big fan myself, but it gives people more choices."

In addition to adding food, the department is making sure to focus on healthy choices. For instance, the district hopes to switch to all whole-grain bread items, use enhanced breakfast programs, focus on Michigan fruits and vegetables, and attain "bronze level" status for all 16 elementary schools in the Healthier U.S. Schools Challenge.

With so much extracurricular activity in the district, Hennessey and her staff also felt it was important to offer students an after-school option. Hennessey said she was troubled seeing parents

driving up to a building and handing off a bag of fast-food to their children.

Now, the district's food service department stays open 45 minutes after school, offering students a chance to grab a sub, some protein bars and drinks such as Gatorade.

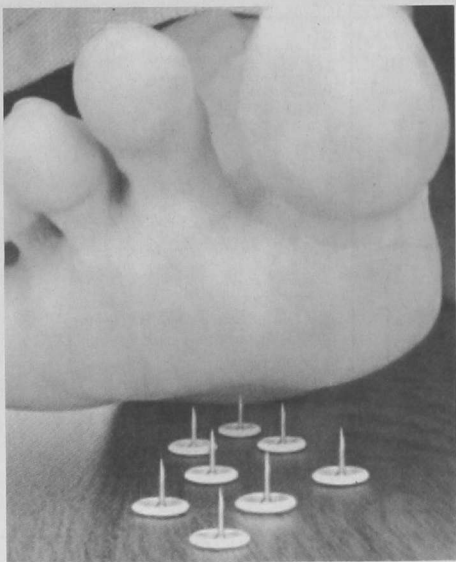
"It's been a really great thing," she said. "I've had parents calling to thank me."

It seems to be working, total meals being consumed in the district rose from 1.44 million in 2008-2009 to nearly 1.6 million in 2009-10, drawing some \$4.5 million in revenue. The program, which had been projected to make some \$80,000 in its first year, nearly tripled that.

And Hennessey thinks it can get better.

"This district has so much to tap," she said. "They just got used to doing things in a certain way. We had some fresh ideas, and they seem to be working."

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Canton Foundation sponsors vet benefits education seminar

Educating veteran advocates, and the estimated 400,000 veterans in metro Detroit, about benefits available from the Department of Veterans Affairs is the focus of a two-day seminar, sponsored by the Canton Community Foundation with the support of the Holbrook Charitable Trust.

Space is still available for the conference Sept. 21-22 at Laurel Manor and Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

The first day of the conference will be devoted to the training of professionals who work for veterans, including attorneys, County Service Officers (CSO), Veteran Services Officers (VSO) and independent veteran advocates.

The second day, which is free of charge, will focus on Wayne County veterans, their families

and the host of benefits available through the VA. Those benefits and programs include health care, disability benefits, social services, housing, and burial.

As of 2009, the VA reported approximately 23.1 million living U.S. veterans, 8 percent of whom are women. But at an estimated 36 million, there are even more surviving spouses and dependent children of living and deceased veterans, who may be eligible for certain benefits.

Pre-registration is required for professionals, and veterans and their families. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served both days of the conference. Registration for attorneys is \$125. Registration for veterans is free. Registration may be completed online at www.cantonfoundation.org or by calling the CCF at (734) 495-1200.

Rabbit rescue celebrates five years

Midwest Rabbit Rescue & Re-home, a non-profit organization dedicated to rescuing domestic rabbits from abandonment, abuse and neglect, then adopting those rabbits into permanent, loving homes, celebrated its fifth anniversary Saturday.

A dramatic renovation and expansion of the rescue facility occurred this summer, and the 100 resident rabbits now have a brighter, more inviting space.

In its five years, Midwest Rabbit Rescue & Re-home has helped over 875 rabbits (the third most common household pet) find permanent homes, which is an adoption rate of about one rabbit every other day. Midwest Rabbit Rescue & Re-home receives a large portion of its funding through public donations, and is run entirely by volunteers who donate over 1,200 hours per month to care for the resident rabbits.

Hospice walk

On Saturday, Sept. 25, Angela Hospice will host its third Annual Walk of Remembrance, in which individuals, families and friends can walk in honor and celebration of loved ones they've lost, while supporting programs for terminally ill patients and their families.

The walk begins at Madonna University in Livonia, with registration at 8 a.m. and

NEWS BRIEFS



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Lisa Powell of Canton holds Denier, a resident of the Midwest Rabbit Rescue in Plymouth. Midwest Rabbit Rescue celebrated its fifth anniversary over the weekend.

the opening ceremony at 9 a.m.

"The Walk of Remembrance is a wonderful event for anyone who has lost a loved one," said Syndie Best, volunteer coordinator for Angela Hospice. "It's a chance to set aside a couple of hours in our very busy lives and choose to remember the ones we love who have passed on. The beautiful surroundings of the walk route are enhanced by musicians and volunteers placed along the way. At the end of the walk, having an opportunity to

decorate a rock with the name of a loved one is a very moving experience."

Last year more than 500 people participated in the Walk of Remembrance and an even greater response is expected this year. The walk is a 2.3-mile route through the idyllic grounds of the Felician Sisters, including Madonna University, the Central Convent, Ladywood High School and Angela Hospice. All proceeds from the Walk of Remembrance will benefit Angela Hospice's programs for terminally ill patients and their families, including free grief support counseling, which is available to anyone in the community.

"Participants have been so positive about the event," said Barb Iovan, event coordinator for Angela Hospice. "This year, we are inviting people to form teams as a way to both memorialize their loved ones, while bringing friends and family together, and at the same time raise funds for Angela Hospice programs."

Individuals and teams may register in advance for the Walk of Remembrance by calling Barb Iovan at (734) 953-6045 or downloading a registration form at www.angela-hospice.org.

Registration includes a commemorative T-shirt, ribbon, craft and refreshments. Fees for adults are \$20 each in advance (or \$25 each the day of); children ages 6-12 are \$5; children 5 and under are free and do not need to register.

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Fans 'Plum' happy to meet favorite author

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

One couldn't have blamed Allen Youngpeter for feeling a little bit alone at the Northville Barnes & Noble store Thursday.

He was, after all, one of very few men in a sea of women waiting patiently to see best-selling author Janet Evanovich, in town to promote her latest book, *Wicked Appetite*. While Evanovich said women make up some 60 percent of her readership, the lines at Barnes & Noble bore a much higher female presence.

Youngpeter, a Canton resident, took his lone-maleness in stride, satisfying himself simply with getting Evanovich's autograph.

"I picked up one of her books at the airport, and I was hooked," said Youngpeter, who bought one copy of *Wicked Appetite* for himself and another to give as a Christmas present. "The characters are quirky, they're fun. It's a laugh-a-minute read with a lot of adventure thrown in. Her books are character-driven, and that's nice."

Fans lined up deep into the store Thursday after having secured color-coded tickets. They brought loads of books and their own personal cameras, were entertained by Evanovich's daughter, Alex, and local residents drafted to help with the event.

PARTY TIME

There was candy and cheese-cake, balloons and banter as



Evanovich volunteers Bonnie Goodrich and Maggie Wunderlich (center) pose with some of the younger Janet Evanovich fans at Thursday's book signing: Meagan, Abigail and Lydia Salogar.

the signing drifted into what Evanovich proudly calls a "party atmosphere," where fans could grab a photo and a hug.

"I'm not an ivory-tower writer," said the author, best-known for her Stephanie Plum series. "I love having the fans right there in front of me, I like to take pictures (with them), I like that they can yell at me."

Some 700 people rolled through the store in what has become a common sight for Evanovich, the New Jersey native who flavors her books with Jersey humor and culture. Book signings, she said, draw a range of some 500 to (occasionally) 5,000 fans, all clamoring to get a piece of

their favorite author.

But it hasn't always been that way. Evanovich, who went to Douglass College as a painter, got her start years ago writing stories that went unpublished — when rejection letters piled up high enough, she set them on fire — and transitioned into writing romance novels. She spent five years writing those, an experience she called "rewarding," before tiring of it and make the decision to move into mysteries.

NEW DIRECTION

She spent a couple of years retooling herself, learning to shoot and "drinking beer with law enforcement types" while crafting her image of Plum,

the lingerie-buyer-turned-bounty-hunter who has become easily her most popular character. Plum stumbles through the career change, and through her personal life, the same way Evanovich herself grew up.

"There's a lot of me in Stephanie, and a lot of my daughter," Evanovich said. "I'm like a big stew ... you just dump everything in."

Her first Plum novel, *One for the Money*, was a little darker than the rest of the series, the latest of which is *Sizzling Sixteen*. That's by design, Evanovich said, in an effort to capture a little wider audience. She said she did tons of research in the beginning,



Best-selling author Janet Evanovich posed for hundreds of pictures and signed even more autographs at her book signing at the Northville Barnes & Noble Thursday.

talking to law enforcement officers and bail bondsmen, but needs less of that now, since the books have focused as much on the characters as the careers.

That focus is fine with readers, who find the Plum novels easy to read. The characters, from Plum herself to her quirky Grandma Mazur, are endearing to the readers.

"They make you laugh," said Alice Brooks of Northville, who waited in line with Barb Hendrickson of Livonia, copies of *Wicked Appetite* in hand. "I love everything about Grandma Mazur. I can relate to them with their sense of character."

LAUNCH VEHICLE

While the Plum series draws legions of fans to Evanovich, she was in town to launch *Wicked Appetite*, the vehicle for a character named Diesel, a hero with strange powers. While Evanovich developed him in the Plum books, fans

have taken to him in droves, prompting Evanovich to break him out into his own series.

"He became so popular it became obvious we had something really appealing," Evanovich said. "We decided to give him his own show."

While she's gotten famous writing Plum, Evanovich said Diesel might be her favorite character, and she called *Wicked Appetite* her favorite book. While Diesel has special powers — he can unlock doors without keys and sense disturbances in the atmosphere — he's also one of the more normal characters she's created.

"Of all the heroes I've created, he's the most normal," Evanovich said. "He has all these powers, but he's the guy. He's confident, he's a little pushy in a charming way, he's the guy who steps out of his underwear and just leaves them there. He's an endearing character."

While there won't be any crossover between Diesel's world and Plum's, Evanovich also pointed out the creation of the Diesel series does not mean the end of the Plum series. Evanovich, who gets up at 5:30 a.m., figures she'll write Stephanie "until I die."

"It's all I do," she said of writing. "I don't have any hobbies. I'm the world's most boring person. I live in a fabulous place. I can't imagine not going to the computer. It doesn't seem right."

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Freshman assembly rolls out rules in fun way

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Learning the rules had a football flavor for freshmen at Wayne Memorial High School who met their "super team," not in the classroom, but at the high school football stadium.

Led by Coach Wiz, also known as Mary Wizinsky, teachers wearing everything thing from football jerseys and T-shirts promoting Wayne Pride and bandanas and sunglasses, teachers in the four main subject areas — mathematics, science, English and social studies — and the class sponsors took to the football field to introduce the class of 2014 to the school rules.

One by one, the teachers took the field, with the emcee providing students with humorous information about them.

"She's notorious for tripping. She's fallen in her classroom, in the hall and on the stairs. She's been taken out of the school in a wheelchair twice," the emcee said of English teacher Amy Story.

Teacher Scott Raisanen was greeted with cheers. Wayne Memorial's one and only math rapper, he let the students know what they face the next four years.

"You're done with eighth grade and you think you're a big shot, but you're not, you got four more years," Raisanen rapped for the students.

"Here's where you'll shine for the next four years."

There also were skits to introduce the rules, with flags being thrown for such things as a dress code violation, loitering in the hallways, tardy to class and using electronic devices like cell phones and iPods in school.

"Walk and talk," the announcer said as the flag flew on loitering in the hallways. "No student is allowed to loiter, it's a safety issue. You're not allowed to congregate in the hallway, walk and talk."

In "What's that Call," students learned that the first offense for using their phone or iPod in school is a three-day in school suspension, while the second offense is good for a three-day out-of-school suspension.

"Any active cell phone is a suspendable offense," students were told.

Freshmen also got a few tips, including "there's no fourth floor, no matter what seniors say."

The freshmen, who came from Wayne-Westland's four middle schools, also were introduced to Wayne PRIDE: The Wayne Memorial High



Science teacher Scott Arnest gets a warm greeting from the team during his introduction.

School Community will prepare all students to be Participating, Responsible, Individuals Dedicated to Excellence.

"I thought this was a better way to teach them about the rules and expectations of Wayne Memorial," said Principal Valerie Orr, who took in the assembly.

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11:00, 1:35, 4:10, 6:50, 9:30
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MACHETE (R) 11:35, 4:30, 9:25
FRISAT LS 11:40
THE AMERICAN (R) 11:45, 2:10, 4:40, 7:00, 9:20
FRISAT LS 11:35
THE LAST EXORCISM (PG-13) 1:50, 9:45
FRISAT LS 11:45
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VAMPIRES SUCK (PG-13)
FRI-MON/WEDETH 7:40, 9:50
FRISAT LS 11:50, TUE 9:50
THE EXPENDABLES (R) 2:15, 7:10

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2010 6:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 7, 2010 commencing at 6:00 p.m., to consider:

Application 1474: The applicant is in an R-1-H zoning district and is proposing a 15 x 15 sunroom addition to the existing home. The minimum required rear yard setback is fifty (50) feet; this proposed sunroom would create a rear yard setback of forty feet six inches (40.6), encroaching into the required rear yard setback by nine feet four inches (9.4'). The applicant is asking for a rear yard setback variance of nine feet four inches (9.4').

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

For further information contact Plymouth Township Building Department 734 354-3210.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION ON HEARING

STATE OF MICHIGAN CASE NO. COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR B 10-199 NA CIRCUIT COURT-FAMILY DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF Sarah Corinne Decker and Justin Paul McMeekin, Minors

A petition has been filed in the above matter. A hearing will be conducted by the Court on Wednesday, October 13, 2010, at 1:30 p.m. in the Family Division Courtroom, Room 2108, County Building, 201 McMorran Blvd., in the City of Port Huron, Michigan, praying that further disposition be made in the matter of Sarah Corinne Decker, who was born on 5/22/1995 and Justin Paul McMeekin who was born on 6/7/1996; to Deborah Leslie, and who was heretofore adjudged as coming within the provision of Probate Act No. 54, P.A. extra session 1944, Section 2, as amended.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that John McMeekin, father, personally appear before the Court at the time and place stated above.

This hearing may result in the Court ordering termination of parental rights over the minor(s).

ELWOOD L. BROWN, Judge
31st Circuit Court, Family Division

Dated: September 15, 2010

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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

AMENDMENT TO THE CRIMINAL CODE ORDINANCE

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NUMBER C-2010-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-26, THE CRIMINAL CODE FOR THE TOWNSHIP, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE CERTAIN 90 DAY AND 93 DAY MISDEMEANOR SECTIONS OF THE PENAL CODE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE CURFEW FOR CHILDREN ACT, PUBLIC ACT 41, OF 1960; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF DISORDERLY PERSON, POSSESSION OF A BB GUN BY A MINOR, RECKLESS DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM, INJURY BY FIREARM; AND RECKLESS USE OF A FIREARM, PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR CITATION, LARCENY, UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW, ATTEMPT AND ACCESSORIAL LIABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

SECTION I. AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE.

The Criminal Code of the Township is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Criminal Code, Adoption by Reference. This section lists the 90 and 93 day misdemeanor sections of the State Penal Code that are being adopted by reference.

Section 2. Curfew, Adoption by Reference. This section provides that the Curfew for Children Act, Public Act 41 of 1960 is being adopted by reference.

Section 3. Citations. This section provides that the MCL section number shall be used as the section number for purposes of issuing a citation for violation of the State Penal Code section adopted hereby.

Section 4. Larceny. This section provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to commit the offense of larceny by stealing, converting or wrongfully withholding the property of another.

Section 5. Unauthorized Practice of Law. This section provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to practice law or to engage in the law business.

Section 6. Attempts. This section provides that any person who shall attempt to commit an offense prohibited by law and in such attempt shall do an act toward the commission of such offense but shall fail in the perpetration or shall be intercepted or prevented in the execution of the same shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than 45 days or by a fine of not more than \$250.00 or by both.

Section 7. Accessorial Liability. This section provides that every person concerned in the commission of an offense may be prosecuted.

Section 8. Violation and Penalty. This section provides that the penalty for violation of the hereby adopted reference State Penal Code sections shall be a maximum of 90 days in jail and/or a maximum fine of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or both, unless the penalty under state law for a violation of the pertinent section is a maximum of 93 days in jail, in which case the penalty for violation under this ordinance shall be a maximum of 93 days in jail and/or a maximum fine of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or both.

SECTION II. REPEAL.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION V. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, MMC
Clerk

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The Observer, in an effort to allow readers to become as informed as possible before the November general election, will try to let readers know where they can meet and greet candidates for public office in local elections.

Slavens coffee

State Rep. Dian Slavens, (D-Canton), invites residents to join her for a cup of coffee and conversation at one of her upcoming coffee hours in September. Slavens is the incumbent running in the 21st State House district. Slavens will host coffee hours on Monday, Sept. 20, from 11 a.m. to noon at Mike's Red Apple Restaurant, 60 Main St. in Belleville. Slavens hosts regular coffee hours and town hall meetings throughout Canton Township, Belleville and Van Buren Township. Businesses or organizations interested in hosting an event with Slavens, or who want more information, can call her office toll-free at (888) 347-8021 or send e-mail to DianSlavens@house.mi.gov. Residents also can sign up for Slavens' e-newsletter and

take her brief community survey by visiting her website at www.house.mi.gov/dslavens. **Wadsworth conversations** Joan Wadsworth, Democratic candidate for the Michigan House of Representatives 20th District seat, will host an informal Community Conversations with voters in Northville, Plymouth, Canton, and Wayne during a coffee Tuesday at The Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman, in Plymouth. Wadsworth wants a conversation with voters about her vision for revitalizing Michigan. She will share her plans for creating jobs, strengthening education, and supporting community services. Wadsworth also will be available to discuss any other issues on the minds of voters and answer questions. Those interested in attending one of the Community Conversations are welcome to come for the entire hour or they can stop by any time during the hour to meet Wadsworth and get answers to questions about her plans for Michigan and her experience.

New Miss Wayne County crowned



Sarah Suydam of St. Clair Shores waves to the audience after being crowned 2010 Miss Wayne County.

A 20-year-old Wayne State University student is the wearing a crown after being selected as the new Miss Wayne County. Moments after being selected, Sarah Suydam of St. Clair Shores shared her excitement about winning the Miss Wayne County title. "I am already looking forward to my duties this year - traveling, meeting new people, and getting the word out about my platform, which is Animal Cruelty Prevention and Awareness," said Suydam. The pageant was held at Churchill High School in Livonia and featured 12 contestants from around the Wayne County area Suydam. As Miss Wayne County, Suydam receives a \$745 scholarship and the opportunity to compete for the Miss Michigan title in Muskegon on June 18, 2011. Suydam is majoring in broadcast journalism and hopes to become a reporter for a top news network or host a radio morning show. During her year as Miss Wayne County, Suydam will travel throughout the state advocating her platform issue. She will talk to various government representatives, business leaders, community groups and citizens-at-large, urging them to get involved promoting animal cruelty prevention. "Sarah Suydam embodies the qualities a role model for young women and girls should have," said Sheila Sigro, executive director of the Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program. "She's talented, ambitious and accomplished. We are excited about working with her this year." A number of other contestants received awards during the competition, including: • First Runner-Up and Talent and Swimsuit Awards - Rachel Manna of Farmington Hills. • Second Runner-Up and Community Service Award - Elyse Losen of Belleville. • Third Runner-Up, People's Choice Award, and Miss Congeniality - Lauren Allen of Inkster. • Fourth Runner-Up - Erin Hall of Dearborn. • Non-Finalist Talent Award (tie) - DaStanza Murphy of Taylor and Christina Besh of Canton. Rounding out the contestants were Brittany Andrews of Livonia, Christina Stachel of Clawson, Gabrielle Boyer of Belleville, Jasmine Jones of Detroit and Teresha Hendricks of Westland. Established in 1991, the Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program provides opportunities for young women to achieve their personal and professional ambitions. Contestants also participate in community service activities and develop leadership skills that help them excel in their chosen career and life goals. A not-for-profit affiliate of the Miss America Organization, winners of the annual Miss Wayne County Competition are eligible to compete in the Miss Michigan Competition. The Miss America Organization is one of the nation's leading achievement programs and the world's largest provider of scholarship assistance for young women. Each year, the Miss America Organization makes available more than \$40 million in cash and tuition scholarship assistance.

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Q: Dear Rick: I'm a former employee of General Motors and I still own a large number of shares. In addition, I still have a number of stock options that don't expire for a few years. When GM starts selling stock again, will the shares that I own be worth something? Will I be able to sell them? Do the stock options that I have transfer to the new stock? Do you recommend that people buy GM stock again? My feeling is GM will once again be the No. 1 car maker in the world, so why not get in on the ground floor.

A: First, the bad news. The GM stock you own is virtually worthless. The issuance of new stock will have no effect on the shares you own. The stocks, even though they are both General Motors stocks, are from two separate corporations.

When GM went into bankruptcy it was divided into old GM and new GM. The new GM took the good assets and formed the new corporation. That is the GM that you see building and selling cars. The stock that GM is issuing in a few months reflects the new company.

The so-called bad assets (and most of the liabilities of pre-bank-



Money Matters
Rick Bloom

rupt General Motors) stayed with the old GM and that company is still under the jurisdiction of the bankruptcy court.

The stocks that you own and the stock options that you possess reflect the old company. This stock is virtually worthless.

In the future there may be some nominal value, but I doubt it. After all, that corporation is still in bankruptcy and its liabilities far exceed assets. Once attorneys are paid and liabilities are settled, there will be nothing left, thus shareholders of the old General Motors will get nothing. Even if the new GM stock takes off, it will have no impact on the old stock.

Should you buy the new General Motors stock in the initial public offering (IPO)? Keep in mind the GM of the past, which at one time was the largest corporation in the world and for decades the largest automobile manufacturer

in the world, is gone for good. The new GM, although having many of the same elements as the past such as Cadillac, Buick and Chevrolet, is a new entity with new management. From a financial standpoint, it is a mere shadow of its old self.

As much as I am rooting for the new GM to be successful, I have to look at things without emotion. Always remember that as an investor the goal is to make money. I believe the new company faces many challenges, making its new stock offering speculative at best.

Some of the issues affecting GM include the economy as a whole and increased competition at home and abroad. In addition, even after this initial public offering, the major shareholder will be the government. I am not one of those people that believe in conspiracies nor am I in any way anti-government. However, the reality is the government's interest and those of ordinary shareholders can and do differ.

An example was recently disclosed in a new book, *Overhaul: Auto Triumphs of 'Unshaven, Sockless Men,'*

by former car czar, Steven Rattner. While General Motors was restructuring itself, the company decided it should move its world headquarters from Detroit to the Tech Center in Warren for financial reasons. According to the book, the Obama administration vetoed this based upon the economic impact on the city of Detroit. Shareholders of the corporation want the company to be a good corporate citizen, however, the bottom line is the bottom line. With the government involved, other issues, albeit important issues, may take more precedence.

At this point, I have a hard time recommending the GM IPO except to someone who wants to make a speculative investment — someone who can afford the loss if it occurs. There is no guarantee that GM will end up being a financial success.

Good luck!

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McCotter met with auto suppliers on forum day

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter did not attend a candidate forum in Livonia Sept. 9 because he was in Washington, D.C., meeting with a senior vice president at the Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association, according to a press release issued Tuesday by the Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the current economic climate's impact on small auto suppliers and their access to credit, the press release said.

The press release was issued in response to incorrect statements made by McCotter's opponent, Democrat Natalie Mosher, about his where-



McCotter

abouts that day, said Carl Berry, chairman of the 11th Congressional District Republican Committee.

Mosher had issued a press release saying McCotter wasn't at the forum because he was "spend(ing) time with crooked lobbyists" at a conference in Washington, D.C., sponsored by the Faith and Freedom Coalition (FFC). McCotter did not attend the FFC Coalition. He was invited to address the conference the evening of Sept. 11, but he was unable to do so because he spoke at the 9/11 ceremony sponsored by the American Legion in

Livonia, Berry said.

McCotter's campaign office sent an e-mail to the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County, which sponsored the forum, shortly after 1 p.m. Sept. 9 saying McCotter's official responsibilities precluded his attendance. "Such things often occur when any organization chooses a date and publicizes a forum without confirmation from a campaign," the e-mail read.

Paula Bowman, president of the league, said the organization was disappointed. It had sent McCotter a "save the date" card June 25 and purposely scheduled the forum for when Congress wasn't in session, she said, adding he has attended past forums.

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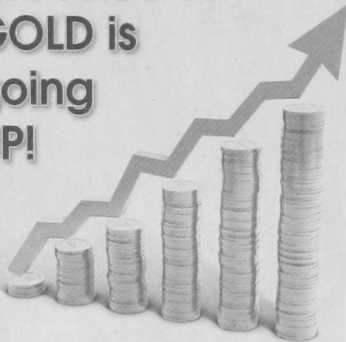
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Stefan Noesen (No. 11) skates for the Plymouth Whalers during a recent preseason game. Noesen, who lives with a Northville family, is one of the players the Ontario Hockey League team will be looking for increased ice time and production from in 2010-11.

Changing tide

Seguin-less Whalers to mix new faces with vets

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

2010-11 PREVIEW

Even though Tyler Seguin is still on the Plymouth Whalers roster, everybody connected with the Ontario Hockey League team knows that's just a technicality. A new wave of Whalers is rolling into Compuware Arena, led by 16-year-old defenseman Max Iafate of Livonia (the team's No. 1 draft pick of 2010) and second-round pick Tom Wilson, a promising right winger. Compuware fans will get to see those two players beginning 7 p.m.

Saturday against Barrie — following road games Thursday and Friday to open the 2010-11 season. Of course, those fans couldn't be blamed one bit for hoping to again cheer for Seguin, the high-scoring center who was drafted by the Boston Bruins of the NHL. That probably won't happen, however. "If he (Seguin) sticks around for his 10th game (in the NHL) that means he's a Boston Bruin for the rest of the season," said Brian Sommariva, Whalers assistant gen-

eral manager and a Plymouth resident. "He'll probably play up to nine and then they'll make a decision on it. But all signs look like he's going to stick in Boston."

TURNING THE PAGE

That means life and hockey go on at Compuware without the No. 2 overall draft pick as well as other top performers from 2009-10. Goalie Matt Hackett and forwards AJ Jenks and Phil McRae have moved on to NHL organizations. It should be interesting to see how

Please see **WHALERS, B2**

Miscues plaguing 0-4 Rocks

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

For the first half Friday, Salem hung tough against Novi in a KLAA Central football game at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's JV field.

It was just a 7-6 Novi lead at the break, although the Wildcats' points were gift-wrapped.

Instead of Novi attempting a 43-yard field goal with the game scoreless, an encroachment call kept the Wildcats on the march. Senior Brady Sheldon then ran it in from 5 yards out.

Salem (0-4, 0-2) came right back to score and make it 7-6. But the second half was something else altogether, much to the dismay of Rocks head coach Kurt Britnell.

The Wildcats outscored his team 28-6 over the final two quarters, giving Novi (2-2, 2-0) a 35-12 win.

"We did OK score-wise (in the first half)," Britnell said. "But we're making the same mistakes we did in Week 1."

"It's just awful, terrible. Our guys aren't getting better."

BRIGHT SPOT

One Salem player who was outstanding was senior wideout Matt Morton, who hauled in five passes for 111 yards and a touchdown.

Following a sliding interception by junior Evian Pardo near Novi's 30-yard line, Salem senior quarterback Drew Thompson (9-of-29, 140 yards) lofted a pass down the left sidelines that Morton snared for a 23-yard TD play with 7:03 left in the first half.

After Novi scored a pivotal touchdown following a blocked punt, the Thompson-to-Morton combo again helped keep Salem close. The receiver made a 35-yard circus catch inside Novi's 10-yard line during the third, beating two Novi defenders in the process.

His leaping grab set up an 8-yard scoring run by junior running back Marcus Houston (19 rushes, 86 yards).

Please see **ROCKS, B3**

SIDELINES

Canton girls win

Canton's girls cross country team defeated Westland John Glenn 20-43 Tuesday behind the running of Hannah Ferree, Anna Lang and Andrea Rapson — who finished 1-2-3 in close proximity, said Chiefs head coach Eric Pahl, who changed things up a bit. Rounding out the top five were Marina Milad and Courtney Campbell.

"The Canton girls did things very different from what we normally do and the girls responded," Pahl said. "The change brought a lot of different girls to the front of the pack and we had a lot of girls running at the front who don't normally."

"It was nice to see the team step up, work through the change and still perform as well as they did. It really speaks to the work ethic of the team."

'Cats tee off

With medalist Kelsey Murphy and Sarah Thompson collecting scores of 39 and 41, respectively, Plymouth defeated Livonia Churchill 178-194 Wednesday in a KLAA South girls golf matchup.

Also breaking 50 for the Wildcats (5-0) were Christy Pattison and Lindsay Dean, each tallying 49.

Danielle Allen and Mandy Kirsch chipped in with scores of 53 and 54, respectively.

Salem bested

The young Salem girls golf team dropped a pair of matches last week, falling Tuesday (218-184) to Novi and 214-188 Wednesday to South Lyon.

After the Novi match, at Fox Hills, Rocks head coach Ryan Nimmerguth said it was a season best "and each time out our team score has continued to drop."

On Tuesday, Gabby LeBlanc led Salem with a 52, followed by Ewa Zajac (53), Lizzie

Please see **SIDELINES, B3**

Wildcats jump out early, blank Rockets

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Although Plymouth boys soccer coach Jeff Neschich likes to see his Wildcats come out firing on all cylinders as it did Thursday against host Westland John Glenn, he wasn't so enamored with the entirety of the team's showing — a 3-0 victory nonetheless.

"We started the game strong, we put in three early ones," Neschich said. "But we didn't do a whole lot for the rest of the game."

Senior forward Derek Austin netted two of the goals while senior midfielder Mitchell Yoder added the other tally.

"We got out on them and we knew we were the stronger team," the coach said. "We wanted to make a statement early."

According to Neschich, he thought his team "kind of relaxed" after breaking out to the lead.

And that won't cut it against some of the tougher teams the Wildcats will face in the division and conference, he stressed.

"We have a lot of tough ball-games coming up," Neschich said. "It's not good to play relaxed."

Meanwhile, the Wildcats blitzed Wayne Memorial 9-0 on Tuesday, at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Senior midfielder Caleb Divens and Mitch Yoder each scored two goals for the Wildcats, who face Livonia Franklin 7 p.m. Tuesday at PCEP's varsity turf field. Plymouth and Canton then hook up 7 p.m. Thursday at the PCEP soccer stadium.

Posuniak nets 4, Chiefs romp 9-1

The goals came early and often Thursday for Canton's boys soccer team, as the host Chiefs bombarded Livonia

Franklin 9-1 in a KLAA South matchup.

Canton (8-2-1 overall, 3-1-0 in the KLAA South) needed just four minutes to get it going as junior Mitch Posuniak scored his first of four goals. Posuniak converted a crossing feed from junior Tyler Winningham.

Senior Phil Baciak made it 2-0 about eight minutes into the contest, for his first goal of the season. Baciak cleaned up a rebound, finishing a play started by sophomore Dan Ovesea (1 goal, 2 assists).

The onslaught continued in the 11th minute on an unassisted goal by Posuniak and the Chiefs padded the margin to 4-0 in the 33rd minute as Baciak (from Posuniak) tallied a goal identical to his first.

Franklin (7-2-0, 3-1-0) broke through less than a minute later, with junior Jordan McGuire finding the range after a scramble.

It was Posuniak again before intermission, scoring his third

of the half on a nice pass from Ovesea.

Posuniak's fourth of the game came in the opening minute of the second half, netting the rebound of a direct kick. Sophomore Bobby Budlong drew the helper.

Wrapping up the romp were goals by Ovesea (from sophomore Connor Shennan), sophomore Scott Piwowar (from junior Bryan Ren) and junior Brian Berinti. The final goal was unassisted as Berinti stripped the ball from a Franklin defender and broke in alone on the goalkeeper.

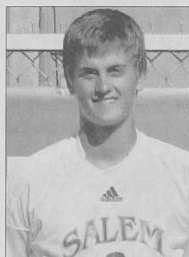
Splitting Canton's goal-tending duties were seniors Brandon Laabs and Garren Carr.

Canton seniors Brandon Laabs and Garren Carr split time in goal.

The Chiefs now gear up for a busy week, with home games Tuesday (vs. Livonia Churchill), Thursday (vs. Plymouth) and Friday (vs. Northville).



TOMMY HALEWICZ



Who: Tommy Halewicz, senior co-captain, Salem's boys soccer team.

Miscellany: The 17-year-old Halewicz is a member of the National Honor Society and carries a 4.0 grade-point average.

Leadership style: "I try to lead by example on the field. I work hard to win every ball that meets the back line and try to keep our guys organized throughout the entire game."

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WHALERS

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the Whalers go about their business without Seguin (who tied Windsor's Taylor Hall in scoring with 106 points) and the others.

If the team's formidable 20-year history is any indication, opponents should expect them to at least find their way into the postseason.

Plymouth finished second in the Western Conference-West Division with 79 points last year, before bowing out to eventual Memorial Cup Windsor in the second round of the OHL playoffs.

"I think the players we're returning saw what a Memorial Cup team looks like, they saw it two years in a row by watching Windsor," Sommariva said. "I think our players need to realize the sacrifices Windsor's players made and we need to adopt those."

Complicating matters even more for head coach and general manager Mike Vellucci, Sommariva, associate coach Joe Stefan and others is the fact a handful of '09-10 players who can return to the Whalers also are tied up with NHL clubs.

Those include center Robbie Czarnik (Los Angeles), Farmington Hills native and defenseman Austin Levi (Carolina), goalie Scott Wedgewood (New Jersey), forwards James Livingston (Edmonton) and Tyler Brown, the latter who went to Pittsburgh's camp on a tryout.

"He was at rookie camp and was just invited to the main camp," said Sommariva about the speedy Brown (14 goals, 25 assists, 39 points last year). "We heard that he's done real well there."

Czarnik (17-32-49), Livingston (17-18-35) and Brown would bring leadership to the Plymouth fold as over-age players (OAs, players who start the season age 20) if they are sent back to the OHL.

"When you have the possibility of three or four OAs coming back, or not coming back, that can sort of make or break

your season," Sommariva said. "So we're just hanging on and seeing what happens with the NHL and go from there."

INCOMING TALENT

Sommariva said young Lafraite and Wilson (drafted 27th overall) are part of an incoming nucleus of players who have outstanding work ethic and potential to be core players in Plymouth.

"Max is our first-round draft pick, he's got incredible upside," Sommariva said. "He's one of the better skaters in the draft, one of the best shots in the draft."

"We're just going to have to teach him some of the finer points of the game, but he's got all the tools."

As for Wilson (6-4, 195), he was projected as a first-rounder in the OHL draft, but remained on the boards when Plymouth picked in the second round.

"We were absolutely elated we got him in the second because he's a high-skilled forward, a big guy, he competes and we think he'll be a big part of our future. Hopefully, he'll be an NHL player one day," Lafraite already is a physical presence (6-2, 220) who will be on the top defensive pairings along with Levi (6-4, 190), Jay Gilbert (6-2, 205) and Beau Schmitz (5-11, 195).

Levi will bring a booming point shot to the power play, too.

"We're looking to get some production on the power play from Austin," Sommariva added. "He's got a great shot and it's a shot not too many guys want to block."

Plymouth's defense will have plenty of depth. Other players who Vellucci could give plenty of ice time to include Colin MacDonald, Nick Malysa and Clarkson native Josh Bemis.

All should contribute to a defense that Sommariva thinks could be the team's strongest aspect. He said MacDonald is "a real defensive defenseman" while Malysa's speed, grit and work ethic are real pluses.

"Josh is another local boy who was pretty good for us

WHALERS WHO'S WHO

Here's an early position-by-position breakdown of the 2010-11 Plymouth Whalers, with less than a week to go before opening night. Players with an asterisk (*) listed after their names are currently in camp with NHL teams.

Goal: Scott Wedgewood*, Matt Mahalak.

Defense: Austin Levi*, Colin MacDonald, Nick Malysa, Jay Gilbert, Josh Bemis, Beau Schmitz, Dario Trutmann, Max lafraite, Chris Albertini.

Forward: Tyler Seguin*, Robbie Czarnik*, Jamie Devane*, Tyler Brown*, James Livingston*, Austin Mattson, Tom Wilson, Stefan Noesen, Mitchell Heard, Garrett Meurs, Adam Restoule, Ben Holtom, RJ Mahalak, Rickard Rakell, Adam Nanji, Peter Neal.

in the playoffs," Sommariva said. "He does the little things right."

WHO'LL SCORE?

One forward who could light up the scoresheet ala Seguin is 17-year-old forward Garrett Meurs (16-18-34).

"Garrett is a real honest two-way player," Sommariva noted. "He's got a good shot, (he's) good from the blueline in and plays all areas of the ice."

"He's a real competitive kid and we think he's going to have a great year for us."

Meurs competed for Team Canada at the recent Ivan Hlinka Memorial U-18 tournament in London, Ontario. At that same tournament, forward Rickard Rakell showed his skills for Team Sweden.

Rakell and Meurs, both just 17, could be linemates on one of Plymouth's top lines.

"Rickard is a guy that sees the ice real well, and he can be a good playmaker for Meurs if that becomes a top-end line," he said.

Forward Stefan Noesen (Northville) tallied just eight points last season, but Sommariva said the player has the ability to do much more.

"He's a kid with real good hands and real good scoring instincts," Sommariva stressed. "He'll be a guy we look for increased offense from and I think he'll be a big part of our team this year."

Depending on which players return from NHL camps, the Whalers will need scoring from many different sources to remain in the playoff picture.

It wouldn't hurt for players such as power forwards RJ Mahalak, Mitchell Heard or Adam Restoule to chip in with timely goals.

"A couple years ago when we won the OHL championship we played defense by committee," Sommariva said. "This year we may have to play offense by committee. We may not look for one guy, like a Seguin or Jenks to provide 40-50 percent of our offense."

HOLDING THE FORT

The good thing is the team's defense and goaltending might be strong enough to help the Whalers win low-scoring tilts.

Expected to divide time between the pipes will be last year's backup, Scott Wedgewood (69 saves in a Round 2 playoff game against Windsor) and Monroe native Matt Mahalak (RJ's younger brother).

"It's still up in the air, but I think they're both going to push each other (for top billing)," Sommariva said.

Wedgewood, the New Jersey draft pick, plays a style not unlike Devils' standout netminder Martin Brodeur.

"Scott doesn't care what it looks like, he wants to make the save," Sommariva said. "So I guess he's a little like Brodeur in that regard."

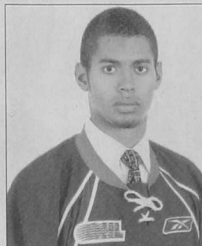
Meanwhile, Matt Mahalak is big (6-3, 180), quick and a total competitor.

"They both possess the right traits, mindsets and mental aptitude to be good goaltenders," Sommariva emphasized.

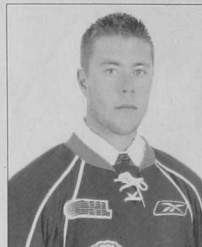
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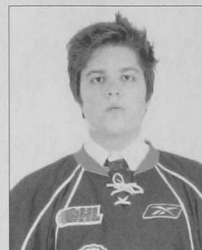
Matt Mahalak



Austin Levi



Tyler G. Brown



Max lafraite

Rocks solid in singles play

Salem's boys tennis team edged Northville 5-4 Thursday in a KLAAs Central contest, with strong singles play a key factor.

At No. 1 singles, Salem's Jacob Scott bested Anthony Rossi (7-5, 6-3) and the Foster twins — Brock and Brett — took care of their respective opponents at No. 2-3 singles. Brock Foster won 6-3, 6-4 over Matt Satterfield; Brett Foster's win was 6-4, 6-1 against Nathan Albanelli.

At No. 4 singles, Northville's Matt Evasic earned a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Michael Keum.

In doubles flights, the Mustangs prevailed three out of five times. Those results included the following: No. 1, Josh Perrin-Scott Devine (Salem) over Phil Lee-Austin Weaver, 6-3, 6-3; No. 2, Salem's Dion Walker-Zenik Pelek won 6-2, 6-5 over Bryce Groshek-Veer Shah; No. 3, Northville's Drew Baldwin-Brian Manney over Cody Hazen-Alek Zultowski; No. 4, Northville's Rahul Raj-Trevor Page over Greg Selewski-Tyler Foley; No. 5, Robert Hsu-Luke Jacobi over Josh Amann-Kyle Latack.

Salem is 7-1 in the KLAAs and 5-1 in the division.

Wildcats win another

On Tuesday, visiting Plymouth romped 9-0 over Wayne Memorial in a KLAAs South boys tennis match.

Tallying wins in singles play for the Wildcats (3-1, 3-1) included Aaron Zhang at No. 1 (6-1, 6-0 over Brandon Harnos), Matt Dwan at No. 2 (6-0, 6-0 over Zach Williamson), Ian Fleming (6-0, 7-5 over Zach Lankton) and Kevin Standifer (6-2, 6-0 over Stephen Gush).

Plymouth also swept the doubles flights with wins by Kyle Brzezinski-John Lopus (No. 1), Akash Yerakola-Mitch McKinstry (No. 2), Cameron Earls-Josh Postel (No. 3), Mo Siwani-John Halpin (No. 4) and Kyle Yergenson-Raleigh Belanger (No. 5).

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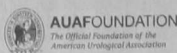
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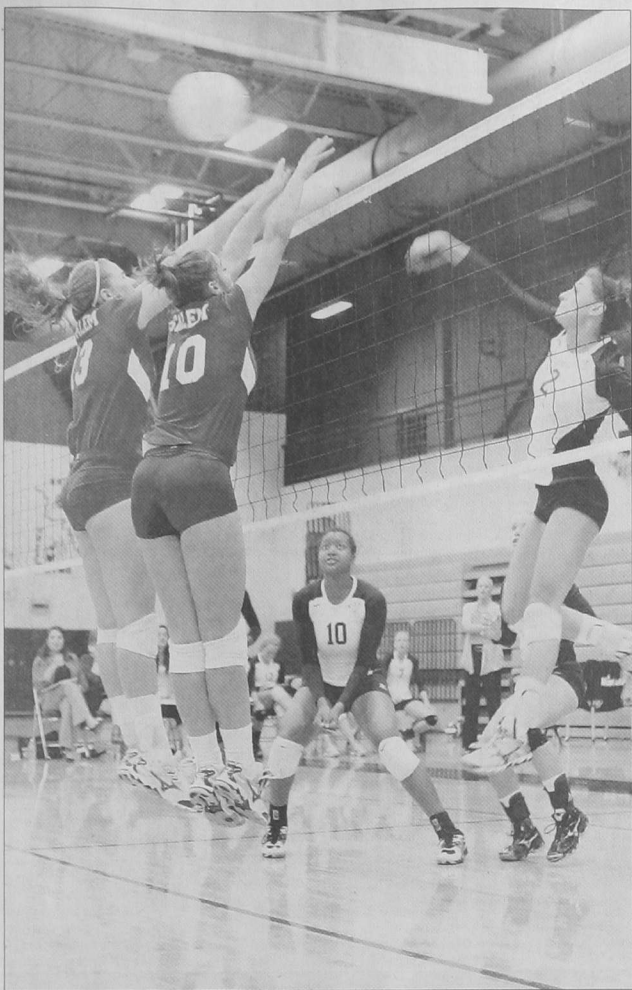
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Plymouth's Dani Risi (No. 2, right) hammers the ball over Salem's blocking wall of Jillian Sommerville (No. 13) and Kerry MacDonald (No. 10, blue) during Thursday night's KLAAs volleyball crossover. The Wildcats' Alex Roberts (No. 10, second from right) gets ready for any return volley.

Salem 'D' enough to nip 'Cats

BY TIM SMITH
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Salem's nearly error-proof defense Thursday night stymied cross-campus rival Plymouth in a KLAAs crossover volleyball tilt.

The Rocks (5-3-0) earned wins of 25-16, 25-20 and 25-21, overcoming an aggressive opening salvo by the Wildcats (4-3-1).

"Our serve receive was awesome with only four errors the whole match," said Salem head coach Amanda Nies. "My defense really deserves the win."

Salem also played well on offense when needed, as Nicole Merget contributed 16 kills (and 5 blocks) while Kerstin Johnson (8 kills, 2 aces), Kerry MacDonald (34 assists, 3 aces) and Jillian Sommerville (5 kills, 3 blocks) helped keep the Rocks' clicking.

Lauren Aschermann had a strong game with nine digs, Nies added.

"We started out strong ... with some smart shots from Dani Risi," said Plymouth head coach Kelly McCausland. "But then our offense started shutting down in games 2 and 3."

"We were able to stop some of Merget's powerful swings, but we were not able to convert those stops into points."

Risi and Madelyn Betts collected seven kills each for Plymouth, while Kayla Bridge tallied 15 digs.

McCausland praised the defensive efforts of libero Lindsay Stemberger (24 digs).

Canton sweeps Wayne

Canton only needed three games Tuesday to defeat KLAAs South volleyball rival Wayne, 25-10, 25-21, 25-17. The Chiefs upped their record

to 7-0-1 overall and 1-0-0 in the division.

"We played well overall but we definitely had some times where we weren't stepping it up," said Canton head coach Mary Krysa.

The Chiefs did weather the storm in the middle game.

Although Maggie Deloy's sharp serving to open Game 2 put the Chiefs up 11-0, the Zebras nearly pulled off a comeback.

Having big games for Canton were Kristen Muir (14 kills, 9 digs), Alaina Turner (11 kills, 8 blocks), Erica denBoer (7 kills, 4 digs), Lauren Martin (16 assists, 4 digs), Jackie Waite (13 assists, 5 digs), Becca Middleton (11 digs) and Deloy (4 aces, 7 digs).

Krysa said the play of Middleton and Deloy were key factors in the victory.

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game-changer," Pennycuff said. "That changed the whole momentum, got the sideline going and got our kids thinking, 'Hey, we're going to be all right.'"

Salem responded, for the time being, with the big play by Morton and up-the-middle surge by Houston finishing the drive.

FINISHING UP

But the Rocks' bid to tie the game with a two-point conversion didn't hit paydirt and the Wildcats took over.

Novi senior tailback Dominic Sabo (15 carries, 118 yards) made it a 21-12 game with a 6-yard carry through the line. A tackle-breaking 36-yard run by senior Zach Mohr set up that TD.

When Novi did have some adversity, fumbling the ball to Salem's Brian Aquier in the late stages of the third, the Rocks could not cash in.

The Wildcats then finished off the job with touchdown runs of 58 and 63 yards by Sabo and Sheldon during the final eight minutes of the game.

Of no help to Britnell was Novi winning the battle of the trenches. The Wildcats outgained Salem 354-221, with the Rocks managing just 81 yards rushing (all by Houston).

"We just didn't get off the ball," Britnell said. "We have two sophomores starting and we're very green with the other three. It's just tough."

After a bitter overtime loss to South Lyon, Friday's disappointment weighed heavily on the second-year Salem coach.

"They are not better than we are," Britnell added. "That's the sad part about the last two weeks."

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Wildcats pile it on in 2nd half

PREP FOOTBALL

Donte Fox ran for three touchdowns as Plymouth pulled away in the second half to earn a high-scoring 41-27 KLAAs South Division football victory Friday night at Livonia Churchill.

The Wildcats, now 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the division, found themselves deadlocked at halftime 14-14.

Notre Dame-bound kicker Kyle Brindza helped the second-half Plymouth cause with field goals of 53 and 29 yards.

Churchill (1-3, 0-2) opened the scoring on Mike Kutek's 1-yard run with 4:55 left in the first quarter, but the extra point failed.

Plymouth took a 7-6 lead with 6:45 left in the second quarter on Fox's 21-yard run, but the Chargers answered on quarterback Jordan Grohoski's 5-yard touchdown run followed by a Grohoski-to-Dean Bokuniewicz two-point conversion toss with 2:33 remaining.

The Wildcats, however, answered just 13 seconds later when Fox returned the ensuing kickoff 90 yards for a TD. Brindza converted the PAT to make it 14-14.

Plymouth then scored 17 unanswered points in the third quarter, including Brindza's lengthy field goal followed by a Jerel Jenkins 64-yard run and Fox's 27-yard run for a 31-14 advantage.

Grohoski then hit David Boucher with a 2-yard TD pass with 10:33 left in the final quarter and Bokuniewicz added the extra point to cut the deficit to 31-21.

Jenkins, who had a team-best 86 yards rushing on 11 attempts, added a 2-yard run followed by another Brindza field goal.

Steven Klisz's 9-yard scoring pass to Lamont Johnson Jr. with only one second left in the game completed the scoring for Churchill.

Churchill actually outgained the Wildcats in total offense, 419-307.

Plymouth quarterback Shaun Austin was 15-of-23 passing for 136 yards, while Grohoski was 10-of-17 for 192. Bokuniewicz had six catches for 91 yards. Grohoski also rushed for a team-high 78 yards on 20 carries.

Michigan-bound Brennan Beyer led the Plymouth defense with 10 tackles, including three sacks. Tony Rhodes added seven tackles (five solo), while Tyler Goble added 4.5.

Mike Harp led the Chargers with seven tackles.

Canton belts Wayne

Canton's penchant for burning up yards and opponents

continued Friday as the Chiefs pummeled Wayne Memorial, 53-0.

The Chiefs (4-0, 2-0 in the KLAAs South) rolled up approximately 400 yards of offense, spearheaded by senior running back Davion Stackhouse (two TDs), who rushed only six times but collected 136 yards.

Canton got on the board in the first when Stackhouse raced for a 49-yard touchdown.

Fellow speed merchant Kevin Buford (eight carries, 78 yards, two TDs) also scored in the opening quarter on a 46-yard run.

The onslaught continued with the Chiefs leading 33-0 at halftime and 46-0 after the third.

Stackhouse and Buford weren't the only players to score twice as junior Ryan Jones (six rushes, 32 yards) also crossed the goal line twice.

Other Canton TDs came on a run by senior Nick Alaniva and a 52-yard pass from senior quarterback Ben Merbler to senior Angelo Lanava.

Wayne (0-4, 0-2) managed just 129 yards total offense with 111 coming on the ground.

Demitrius Renfro was Wayne's top tackler with seven.

SIDELINES

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Mazorowicz (56), Katie Veno (57), Christine Li (57) and Makenzie Brown (68).

LeBlanc led Salem again Wednesday, with a 47. Zajac (54), Mazorowicz (56), Veno (57), Li (65) and Kristin Schultz (68) finished out the card.

MU spikers cruise

The Madonna University women's volleyball team made quick work Thursday of host Concordia University winning in three straight sets, 25-13, 25-9, 25-14.

The Crusaders took just 52 minutes to record the victory

while improving to 8-6 overall and 1-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Karie Altman's 10 kills led a balanced MU hitting attack. Liz Dempsey (Livonia Franklin) added eight kills, while setter Evia Prieditis had 27 assist-to-kills. Amanda Koszela contributed a team-high 17 digs.

Jaymee Wise recorded 18 assists for the Cardinals (4-12, 0-3).

Lady Ocelots fall

On Thursday, host St. Clair County Community College rolled to a 25-19, 25-19, 25-15 MCCA Eastern Conference victory over Schoolcraft College.

St. Clair is 5-8 overall and 1-2 in the conference, while Schoolcraft falls to 8-4 and 2-1.

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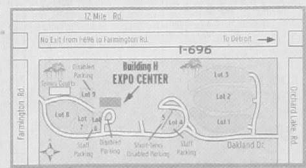
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Lady Ocelots still on roll

The Schoolcraft College women's soccer team ran its season mark to 6-1 Wednesday with a 4-1 stomping of visiting Concordia University.

Two goals in the first half and two more in the second half proved to be the difference as coach Deepak Shivraman's club continued its stellar play.

"Defensively we were solid, except on one situation there, and offensively we did have most of the possessions," Shivraman said.

The Lady Ocelots opened the scoring in the first half on a goal from Molly Biegler, assisted by Jenny Giegler.

Sophomore Adriana Guerrero found the back of the Concordia net before the half-time to increase the margin to 2-0.

After Monica Palushaj scored for the Cardinals (3-2), Schoolcraft came storming back with back-to-back goals from Renee Boudreau (Livonia Stevenson) and Giegler.

"Concordia did a good job of collapsing back so our forwards had to see maybe seven,

eight or nine players in the box," Shivraman said. "That proved to be a challenge for us, but in the second half we did a much better job of being patient."

Sophomore Sam Suter was once again in goal for the Lady Ocelots, who are ranked No. 8 in the latest NJCAA Division I poll.

Crusader women tie

In a non-conference match Wednesday, host Albion College and the Madonna University women's soccer team battled to a 1-1 draw in two overtimes.

Lauren Eckler scored for the Britons (1-4-1) in the 48th minute, while Diana Brda (Livonia Franklin) countered for MU (0-4-1) on a rebound shot that was assisted by Lilliana Serratos.

Albion goalkeeper Sam Bowditch made eight saves, while the Crusaders' Chelsea Gregg (Livonia Clarenceville) had two stops in 110 minutes of action.

Fall golf classes

Fall classes at Hickory Creek Golf Course are now accepting students to work with PGA professional Tami Beal.

Among offerings: New to Golf (6-7 p.m. Tuesdays); Basic Golf Fitness (6-7 p.m. Wednesdays); Golf Kinematics (7-8:30 p.m. Mondays) and — for kids — "Little Linksters" (ages 5-7) and "Junior Golfers" for ages 8-10.

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Hickory Creek is located just west of Canton, off of Ford-Napier roads.

Co-ed soccer leagues

YMCA Co-Ed Soccer leagues are forming for children ages 4-10 with sessions from Sept. 20 to Oct. 30. Fundamentals in a safe and fun environment will be the focus.

Planned are one practice and one game per week on Saturdays.

The program cost is \$64 for program members or \$96 for community members.

Girls on the Run

Late registration is ongoing for Girls on the Run of Greater Detroit, an affiliate program of the YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit. Girls on the Run is a life-changing, experiential learning program that uses running to educate and prepare girls for a lifetime of self-respect and healthy living.

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Registration and health history forms are available at the Plymouth YMCA with additional signups now being accepted in person, by fax or by mail at the Plymouth YMCA. Registrations will not be accepted at schools or by coaches. For more information, please contact the YMCA at 734-453-2904 or visit www.ymcadedetroit.org.

YMCA youth programs

The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering a variety of youth instructional programs this fall, having the focus on fun, exercise and social interaction through sports instruction.

Programs — open to YMCA members and community members — include Parent/Child Soccer, Preschool and Youth Soccer, Preschool and Youth Basketball, Intro to Volleyball, Preschool T-ball, Tiny Tikes Sampler and Club Kickball. All will run between Sept. 20 and Oct. 25.

There will be morning and evening classes available. Ages vary by program but there is something for children ages 2-12. For more information, please contact the YMCA at 734-453-2904 or visit www.ymcadedetroit.org.

MU hosts golf fund-raiser

Early registration is still open for Madonna University's annual Scholar-Arm Classic to benefit the student scholarship fund, Friday, Sept. 17, at Western Golf & Country Club in Redford.

The Early Birdie rates (including golf, lunch and dinner) is \$175 per individual and \$700 per foursome. Those who sign up early can have two strokes shaved off their foursome's score and also golf with a Madonna scholar, professor, dean, board member or coach.

A busy fun day is planned. The schedule is as follows: 11:30 a.m., check-in; noon, lunch at clubhouse; 1 p.m., shotgun start; 5:30 p.m., cocktails and raffles; 6 p.m., dinner and awards.

For more information, contact Alan Pinon (734-432-5556, apinon@madonna.edu) or Ann Kleck (734-432-5421, acleck@madonna.edu).

Volleyball on tap

The YMCA Girls Volleyball leagues are forming for girls ages 9-12. The session will run from Sept. 13 to Oct. 29 and is a great opportunity for girls to learn the fundamentals skills of volleyball in a safe and fun environment.

The program cost is \$71 for program members or \$103 for community members. Memberships are \$39 for individuals and \$59 for families.

All participants need a YMCA Youth Sports Reversible Jersey, \$15. Programs are filled on a first-come-first-serve basis, so hurry in. The registration deadline is September 13. For more information, please contact the YMCA at 734-453-2904 or visit www.ymcadedetroit.org.

Whalers making waves

After a trial run in 2009-10, the Ontario Hockey League's Plymouth Whalers will return to WSDP-FM (88.1) "The Escape" as their radio home for the upcoming season.

"The Escape" — an award-winning radio station located at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park — will resume its broadcast schedule with coverage of the Whalers' season opener, set for Thursday, Sept. 23, in Windsor.

Pete Krupsky remains Whalers play-by-play voice, with Sean Balignian providing analysis of home broadcasts. Also, WSDP will carry the bulk of the Whalers games this season with a minimum of preemptions. All regular season and playoff games will be streamed online at www.plymouth-whalers.com.

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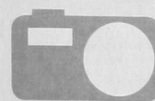
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Dog town

Canine walk debuts in Plymouth's Old Village

BY SHARON DARGAY
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About 100 walkers have pre-registered up to help launch the first annual Barktober Fest in The Old Village Plymouth. At least a dozen of them don't even own dogs to take along on the 2½-mile walk for canines and their companions.

But event organizer Amy Rector isn't surprised. She says the combination of a "good cause," and a leisurely stroll among the "great old architecture and houses" of Old Village makes Barktober Fest the place to be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2.

"This was my little idea and it has ended up being quite a large idea," said Rector, a resident who attends Plymouth Old Village Association meetings, the walk beneficiary along with Homeward Bound Rescue League in Canton. "We've got great people in the community and the city of Plymouth has been fantastic. They've done everything in their power to get this event off the ground."

Participants, both those who pre-registered by Sept. 11, and those registering on site, will sign in beginning at 8:45 a.m. on Liberty, between Mill and Starkweather. The walk fee is \$25 and includes a T-shirt while supplies last. The first 150 to check in will receive a goody bag filled with coupons for pet-related services, toys, treats, chew bones and shampoos.

"I thought it was the coolest thing — Rachel Ray and Ellen DeGeneres sent their dog food," Rector said. Pet adoptions and vendors will be on site until noon."

Scott Farmer, an Old Village resident and association president, said a former member suggested the walk



Homeward Bound Rescue League, Canton, will receive half of the proceeds from the Barktober Fest walk in Plymouth. It places adoptable dogs like these into permanent, loving homes.

a few years ago, but the organization was spread "too thin" and unable to proceed with the event. It also presents an annual Halloween party and summer car and motorcycle show.

"The ball dropped and Amy picked it up and ran with it," Farmer said. "Really, it's Amy's event and Old Village Association took a supporting role."

"Plymouth, as a whole, is a dog-friendly place. Myself and all my neighbors own a dog. It (Barktober Fest) seems like a good fit for us."

He said the association's share of the walk proceeds likely will go into beautification projects, such as tree planting or signs.

WISH LIST

Rector, a nursing clinical manager at Detroit Medical Center, owns a rescued dog and participates in other canine walks in the metro area. She hopes to make Barktober Fest an annual event.

"We've done a lot of beautification in the community. We don't have a big

bank account, but whatever we gain we give back," she said, adding that the association's wish list includes banners.

Teri Daniels, a Homeward Bound member, said the group's dream list includes a transport van to help volunteers rescue more dogs and a storage shed to hold the many different brands of dog foods that individuals donate.

"We're limited in how many dogs we can handle. There's an organization in Ohio, if we need a van, they'll let us



Julie Wakefield fosters 'Queenie,' for Homeward Bound Rescue League.

bring it up here. But it has their logos on it. We want people to realize we don't just rescue, but we're all about spay and neuter."

Her ultimate dream is for a transport van that's stocked with kennel cages, emergency food, water facilities, and items for emergency vet care.

In the meantime, proceeds raised from the walk will help the group continue to rescue, feed, provide veterinary care and spay and neuter services for adoptable dogs.

She said Homeward Bound rescues dogs from breeding facilities, takes owner surrenders and strays. Its foster network has some 100 dogs in private homes. When it was founded six years ago it found homes for about 150 dogs. Now it adopts out between 400-500 dogs annually.

"For every dog that goes out we get a dog that comes in. We rescued 96 dogs and needed emergency foster homes. The public stepped up. The problem was that once (the dogs) got homes, these temporary emergency fosters feel off too. Right now we're in dire need of foster homes."

The group seeks individuals or families with time and patience for fostering. Foster parents attend adoption events and help train and socialize their charges.

"I don't know of any organization that will go to the length we do. We're 100 percent no kill. And we take any and all breeds of dogs. It doesn't matter if it's a Bull Mastiff or a Pit bull."

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Health workshop

The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan presents a free health workshop from 9:30 a.m.-noon, Fridays, through Oct. 22 to help individuals manage long term health conditions. The Personal Action Toward Health (PATH) class will meet at Royal Oak Township Recreation Department on 21272 Mendota, in Ferndale.

The PATH workshop provides information and skills to adults with chronic health conditions such as arthritis, heart disease, chronic kidney disease, diabetes, bronchitis, asthma and depression. Workshops are run by trained leaders who hold informal, small group discussions and provide easy-to-understand course materials. Facilitators explain ways to reduce pain and stress, cope with fatigue, use medications wisely, and benefit from exercise. The PATH program is suited for both the newly diagnosed as well as those seeking more aggressive management. To register, or for more information, contact the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan at (734) 222-9800.

CPR Class

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers a "Heartsaver" Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation class (CPR) 6-9 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 29, in the Community Outreach Department, Classroom 10, at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, in Livonia. The class is offered through a partnership with the American Heart Association. The class will teach CPR and choking techniques for children and adults. This course includes classroom-based training and coaching from a trained instructor. There is a fee. Call

the Community Outreach Department at (734) 655-8950, or register online at stmarymercy.org.

Thyroid cancer support

The support group is free and open to all thyroid cancer patients and survivors as well as their family members and friends. It meets monthly and its next meeting is 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 29, at 1641 Charlevoix Drive, Troy. For more information call Gwynne at (248) 740-9759.

OCTOBER

Men's health

Freddie Scott, prostate cancer survivor, former NFL wide receiver and College Football Hall of Famer, and a panel of medical specialists, will discuss men's health issues, 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 5, at St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center, 1600 S. Canton Center, Canton. Participants can register to win Detroit Lions tickets. The first 25 individuals will receive a regulation size football and the next 75 receive a stadium chair. The event is free and dinner is provided. Registration is required. To register visit stothealth.org or call (800) 231-2221. A limited number of free PSA screenings are available for qualifying individuals. To prescreen and register for a free PSA call (734) 712-5948.

Melanoma walk

The 5th Annual KOB Melanoma 5K Run/Walk will be held on Sunday, Oct. 10 at Kensington Metropark, in Milford. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the walk/run will begin at 11 a.m. Register online: www.melanomawalk.org - click on First Giving. All proceeds go to the Melanoma Research Foundation.

ONGOING

Alzheimer's Association

The Greater Michigan Chapter provides a welcoming and secure environment for families and individuals experiencing the early stages of Younger Onset Memory Loss. Participants can take part in ongoing discussions that focus on issues that affect those with memory loss under age 65. Meetings are 5:50-7 p.m., the third Monday of the month, at Bloomfield Township Senior Services, 4315 Andover, Bloomfield Hills. To register call The Harry L. Nelson Helpline at (800) 272-3900.

Fitness classes

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

Incest Survivors

"LIVE," a self-help group for women who were victims of incest as children, meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 7-9 p.m. at St. Paul of the Cross, 2333 Schoolcraft, Redford. Call Antoinette at (313) 971-4747 or Chen at (586) 489-1785.

Overeaters Anonymous

Meet 7 p.m., Thursdays in the Courtyard

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

Breast cancer support group

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

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 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care for your loved one will be provided. Call Connie McNutt at (734) 895-1426 for information. Authorized by the Alzheimer's Association.

Metro Fibromyalgia

Meets the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 2055 Merriman, Garden City. For more information, call Lucy at (734) 462-1768.

Wayne metro caregiver support

Are you a caregiver of an aging parent, spouse or relative? Wayne Metro's Caregiver Support Groups offer assistance to those struggling to find or give quality care to loved ones. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month, 10 a.m.-noon, at the Kay Beard Building on Michigan Ave., Westland. Meetings are also held at the Village of Redford on Six Mile. The morning group meets 10 a.m. to noon on the second Thursday of the month; the evening group meets the fourth Thursday of the month from 6-8 p.m. Adult care may also be available.

Call Nancy Coman at (313) 843-2550, Ext. 233.

Parkinson Support

Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group meets 7-9 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August, at Farmington Hills Baptist Church, 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile. Enter at rear of church. For information, call (248) 433-1011.

CPR classes

Classes range from basic CPR for people who wish to know how to help save a life to certification for those who need CPR for work and state licensure, at DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Dr., Commerce. First aid classes also available. Classes offered weekday evenings and Saturday mornings. Price varies. Pre-registration required at www.hvsh.org/hvsh/calendar or call (248) 937-3314.

Arthritis support group

2-3:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Krieger Center, DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Dr., Commerce. Enter the building via the South Garden entrance. Registration not required.

Tai Chi classes

At 165 E. Square Lake, Bloomfield Hills (7 p.m. Monday and Wednesday), and 38121 Ann Arbor Road (11 a.m. Wednesday, and 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday). Presented by nonprofit Michigan Tai Chi Association in Livonia. For details, call (734) 591-3530.

Recovery, Inc.

The support group meets at 10 a.m., Wednesdays at Prince of Peace Church, Walnut Lake Road and Green, West Bloomfield. Recovery, Inc. is an international, non-profit, self-help, community-based organization that helps people with nervous and emotional disorders reduce their suffering and improve quality of life. Call Martha Paul at (248) 682-9362 or e-mail marthapaul@bsc-global.net.

Self-help meetings in Livonia run 7:30 p.m. Mondays, St. Matthew's Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, 115 p.m. Thursdays, Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Call (313) 561-2521 or visit www.recovery-inc.org. No charge, contributions collected.

Low vision support group

Meets 1-3 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main. For information, call Ellen Stross at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 232.

Arthritis Foundation programs

Winter classes begin for warm-water and land-based exercise programs, Tai Chi, and a six-week series that offers keys to successful arthritis self-management, in Canton, Redford and Westland. Call (800) 968-3030 or visit www.arthritis.org.

Health enhancement classes

Classes for exercise (including yoga), CPR and childbirth, and support groups for cardiac, cancer, stroke and diabetes patients; eating disorders; Alzheimer's caregivers; and the hard of hearing. The classes are part of an array of offerings at Garden City Hospital's Health Enhancement Center. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

Blood pressure (free) and cholesterol (55) testing are also available noon to 2 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month in Garden City Hospital lobby. No registration required. The hospital also offers free blood pressure testing for senior citizens every other Wednesday at Maplewood Community Center. For information, call (734) 458-4330. Free mask fitting clinic.

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Dynamic Stage Production/D2 Productions will present the "Best BREAST Night of Broadway," a cabaret benefit to support the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. The show runs 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7-10, at Riverside Arts Center, 76 North Huron, Ypsilanti.

Detroit State Production performers from past and upcoming productions will share

their favorite hit Broadway songs in an intimate cabaret setting. Songs from hit Broadway musicals like *Wicked* and *Legally Blond* will be featured, along with classic musical theatre songs.

Tickets are \$15 with \$5 being donated from each ticket. Ticketing information and details are available at www.D2Productions.org.

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Drink, eat and dance to benefit the Canton Dog Park

Rock 'n Roll Wine will present a wine tasting to benefit the Canton Dog Park from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1 at the Cady-Boyer Barn in Preservation Park, 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton.

"The mission of Rock 'n Roll Wine is to make wine tastings more fun and less pretentious," stated David Hammond, Canton resident and owner of Rock 'n Roll Wine, in a press release. "We love to drink great wines, but hate the stuffy, traditional, wine tasting environment. We want to create an environment where you can dance, laugh with your friends, and support a great cause."

Advance tickets, bought before Oct. 1, cost \$35 and include sampling of a wines from throughout the world, live music from Nadir and the Trio of Soul, and finger foods and appetizers. Attendees will also be able to bid on silent auction items, including rare wines and dog-related toys and gifts.

Proceeds will help cover construction and maintenance costs for the five-acre Canton Dog Park, which is scheduled to open adjacent to Preservation Park next year.

Debi Greene, a member of the Friends of the Canton Dog

Local troupe holds auditions for comedy written by Neil Simon

Spotlight Players, the resident adult theater group at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton, will hold auditions for *Proposals* Sept. 20-21.

The comedy, by legendary playwright Neil Simon, will be staged Nov. 12-14 and 19-21 in the Biltmore Studio.

This comedy is about the Hines clan and their gathering at their summer retreat one last time in 1953. Burt, the father, is looking forward to the arrival of his ex-wife. Daughter Josie, with a broken engagement to Ken, yearns for his buddy, Ray, who shows up with a dim-witted model on his arm. Throw in a gangster and a witty housekeeper and it makes for a humorous yet poignant story.

There are nine roles for men and women. Two roles are for African-American actors.

Registration for the auditions starts at 6:30 p.m. and auditions run from 7-10 p.m. at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton.

For more information call at (734) 480-4945 or Visit: www.spotlightplayersmi.org.

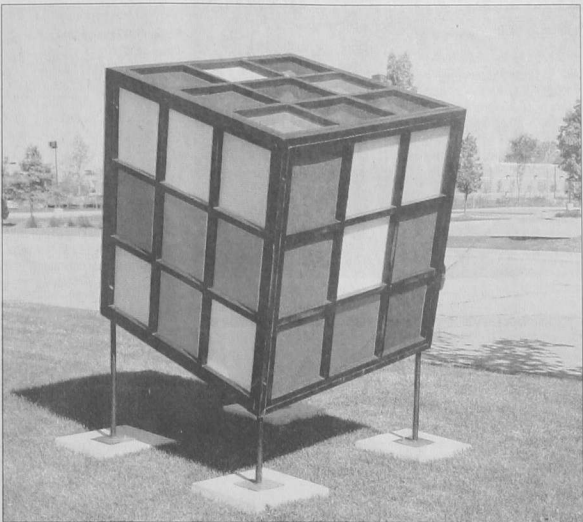
Show offers spooktacular works

Twenty-three artists will show their Halloween-themed works at the fourth annual Ghoultide Gathering - A Halloween Artists Spectacular, a one-day sale and exhibit from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 2, in Mill Race Village, 215 Griswold, Northville.

Admission is \$5 at the gate. Juried artists use both traditional and non-traditional mediums, to create their

visions of Halloween.

For more information, including a list of Ghoultide Gathering participating artists, visit <http://www.ghoultidegathering.com>.



Take a tour of public art, including this giant Rubik's cube, on Sept. 25 in Canton.

Tour public art in Canton during Saturday, Sept. 25, walk

Ken Thompson, docent and artist from the Midwest Sculpture Initiative, will lead a free public art walk along Ford Road in Canton on Saturday, Sept. 25.

The two-mile walk will give participants an insider's view of popular outdoor works of art. Walkers will be encouraged to interact and examine the art from a variety of angles to enjoy their many different perspectives.

Art lovers should meet at 9:30 a.m. the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. They'll be shuttled to the starting point and then returned to the Summit at the end of the walking tour.

Light refreshments will also be served following the tour. All walk participants will also receive a free T-Shirt courtesy of Midwest Sculpture Initiative. Pre-registration is required. Register online at Cantonfun.org or in person at the Summit on the Park.

Canton's temporary public art display is made possible by the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), in partnership with the Canton Cultural Commission's Public Art Commission. Sites displaying this temporary outdoor public art exhibit include Canton Cinema; Griffen Funeral Home; Hampton Inn; Home Depot; New Towne Center at Kohl's; Target; and Willow Creek Plaza.

Pieces in this current collection were created out of materials such as bronze, welded steel, cast iron, and glass. Subject matters range from whimsical to poetic with an assortment of identifiable pieces including a Rubik's cube to glass totem poles.

For more information about Canton's Public Art Walk, visit Cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

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"My parents are so happy because they don't have to worry. My uncle is happy. As a nurse I would bring my parents here. If I have a question or concern the doctors are always here."

Socialization plays an important role in daily life at Four Seasons

Four Seasons Activities Center enhances care for residents and rehabilitation patients. Betty Noe practiced cooking breakfast in the new kitchen before going home, receiving physical therapy during a three-month stay at Four Seasons after fracturing a wrist and leg. The new kitchen allows residents to make fresh fruit and pasta salads for lunch.

In addition to cooking, a variety of social groups focus on favorite pastimes. Board games and cards round out the offerings. A flat screen TV with surround sound gets residents moving with Wii video sports like bowling.

"We encourage all residents to participate," said Pat Lyden, administrator and an R.N. "This is how they socialize."

Socialization plays an important role in daily life whether in the dining room or newly renovated Activities Center. "The purpose is to get residents involved," said Lori McLeskey, activities director. "They adore it. A core group spends most of their day here in the activities center."

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Birmingham Groves High School Class of 1975

35th class reunion, Oct. 22-23, will include homecoming game, Friday night, and party, Saturday night, at The Birmingham Community House. Contact: groves1975@gmail.com or Groves Class of 1975 - 35th Class Reunion, on Facebook.

Dearborn Lowrey High School Classes of 1949-51

A joint reunion of all three classes will be held Sept. 26 at the Warren Valley Golf Club in Dearborn Heights. Call Peggy Webster at (313) 383-4699, Bob Rock at (313) 274-8370 or Shirley Vonn at (313) 291-6069. Or e-mail to yankessouthern@hotmail.com.

Detroit Cody Class of 1965

Looking for graduates from the January and June classes for a September reunion. For more information call Tim Dunning at (248) 879-2148 or e-mail to timdunning@wowway.com or call Chris Snopkowski Nashlen at (734) 261-3116.

Detroit Mackenzie Class of 1962

Planning class reunion in 2012. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail the committee at mackenzie1962@gmail.com.

Class of 1960

50th reunion will be held Oct. 16 at The Marriott in Livonia. For more information contact: Tim Yarde at (248) 573-7147 or Russ and Judy (Mackinder) Sarns at (734) 464-7166.

Detroit Pershing Class of 1960

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

Farmington High School Class of 1970

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

Garden City High School Class of 1960

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

Garden City West Class of 1970

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

Livona Bentley

Class of 1961

Planning a 50th class reunion for 2011. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail to dbruner@twm.rr.com or call Don Bruner at (734) 524-0979 to register and for more information.

Redford Thurston Class of 1970

40th reunion, 6 p.m., with dinner buffet starting at 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Radisson Hotel, 17123 Laurel Park Drive, Livonia. \$30 per person. E-mail to Robin Descenzo Sindici at treasuresoldandnew@sbcglobal.net if interested in attending. Booked rooms also are available at \$79 per night; suites for \$149. Anyone interested in a room reservation must call (734) 464-1300 by Sept. 22 and identify themselves as a member of the Thurston High School 40th reunion group.

Redford Union Class of 1975

Reunion runs 5-11 p.m., Friday, Nov. 26, at Embassy Suites Livonia. Cost is \$50 per person; ticket deadline is Oct. 1. Make checks payable to Joanne Piasecki and send to Reunion Redford Union 1975, P.O. Box 530213, Livonia, MI 48153. Questions? Contact: RU75Reunion@gmail.com or Reunion Redford Union 1975 on Facebook.

Rosary High School Class of 1966

Planning 45th reunion in July of 2011. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail Pam at Taffitoo@aol.com

Royal Oak High Class of January 1950

6 p.m., Oct. 16, at Red Run Golf Club, 2036 Rochester Road, north of 12 Mile, Royal Oak. \$50.00 per person. \$50 per person; choice of entree. Make checks payable to Class of January 1950 Reunion and mail to Margaret (Hobbs) Monroe, 3045 Helen Court, Royal Oak, MI 48073. For more information call Monroe at (248) 435-3306 or Roy Leet at (248) 737-2845. Guests welcome; deadline for tickets is Sept. 30.

Warren Fitzgerald Class of 1968

6 p.m. to 1 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 9, at DeCarlo's Banquet Center, 10 Mile and Nound, Warren. Buffet dinner, cash bar. Tickets are \$35. Contact Ken Rix at (586) 781-4552, kenrix@ameritech.net, or Bill Ziembka at (248) 689-6216, billziembka1968@aol.com.

Wayne Memorial High School Class of 1985

25-year class reunion, Saturday Oct. 9, at the Livonia Marriott; contact Steve Johnson at (734) 635-0369 or Tanya (Ibrahim) Williams at (734) 223-5558.

Class of 1975

35th reunion, Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Livonia Marriott. RSVP and buy tickets at www.jghsclass75.com. For more information call Loren Zeidman at (248) 877-0909 or e-mail to l_zeidman@americancreditl.com

Westland John Glenn Class of 1985

25-year Reunion, 7 p.m. to 2 a.m., Sept. 25 at Doc's Sports Retreat in Livonia. Contact Tracy Dunsmore at tracy1420@wideopenwest.com or (734) 748-8904 for more information.

Get creative at Canton festival scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 2, at Preservation Park

Practice your carving skills, take a hayride and get up close with a furry critter at the first annual Cherry Hill Harvest Fest, Saturday, Oct. 2, at Preservation Park, 500 Ridge Road, Canton.

The event will run 1-5 p.m. and will include a mystery maze for the little ones, face painting and "The Scarecrow Invasion" decorating contest, in addition to a petting farm and seasonal favorites.

Teams of two or more participants can

enter to win "The Scarecrow Invasion" for a chance to win prizes. Teams will use clothing, decorations, and tools to create their outdoor masterpieces. Hay will be supplied. Pre-registration and a \$10 per team entry fee are due Oct. 1. Scarecrows will be on display throughout October at Preservation Park.

Judging is set to take place at 4 p.m. and with winners announced at 4:30 p.m.

"We hope that 'The Scarecrow Invasion' gives families, groups, and businesses the opportunity to pull out

all the stops and get creative with their designs," stated Jennifer Provenzano, recreation specialist. "These creations will be on display at Preservation Park throughout the fall, so we're looking forward to seeing traditional, historical, whimsical and comical scarecrows when the contest is finally finished."

Although most of the activities at the Cherry Hill Harvest Fest are free, some may require a small fee. For more information visit Cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

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SEPT. 19-22

Bible study
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., first and third Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 21
Location: St. Michael the Archangel, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, between Farmington Road and Merriman, Livonia
Details: Catholic author and speaker, Gary Michuta, teaches this class focusing on St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, which has been regarded as a primer on Catholic doctrine. Open to all faiths; no registration or fee required
Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200

Breakfast
Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to noon, Sunday, Sept. 19
Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland
Details: All you can eat pancake and French toast breakfast includes ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, tea, coffee, milk, juice; \$3 adults; \$1.50 children, ages 2-10. Sponsored by St. Theodore Men's Club
Contact: (734) 425-4421

Concert
Time/Date: 4:30 p.m., Sept. 19
Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Road in Plymouth
Details: Collins-Allvin Jazz Quartet performs at the first concert of the season for the Resounding Art in a Sacred Space series. The church suggests a donation of \$25 for families and \$10 for individuals for admission to the concert
Contact: (734) 453-0190

Guest speaker
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 20-22
Location: 34500 Six Mile, Livonia
Details: British theologian, pastor,

and author John Peck will teach three sessions entitled, "Worldview Revisited," exploring the issue of learning to think as a Christian about everything. He is author of "UnCommon Sense: Biblical Wisdom for Today's World" and co-founder of the Greenbelts Arts Festival in England. Everyone is welcome. No charge. Child care provided.
Contact: (734) 421-7602

Widowed men and women
Time/Date: 2:15 p.m. Sept. 19
Location: St. Thomas a' Becket Parish, 555Lilley, Canton
Details: Mass and fellowship for widowed men and women; includes refreshments
Contact: (734) 895-6246

SEPT. 23-29

Concert
Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26
Location: First United Methodist Church, 6443 Merriman, Garden City
Details: Abby Paskvan, 14, a recording artist from Bowling Green, Ohio, will perform
Contact: (734) 421-8628

Convention
Time/Date: Registration begins at 8 a.m.; worship at 9 a.m., with an afternoon session following the 12:15 p.m. luncheon on Saturday, Sept. 25
Location: St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, Westland
Details: Michigan Southeast District Lutheran Laymen's League Convention features the Rev. Mark Larson, director of United States Ministries for Lutheran Hour Ministries
Contact: Jean Wellhausen at (734) 242-4301

Gospel Fest
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24
Location: Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton
Details: Old-fashioned gospel fest and hymn sing
Contact: (734) 455-0022

Lobster Fest
Time/Date: 5-6:30 p.m., Sept. 25
Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 Sheldon, Plymouth
Details: The lobster dinner is \$22 and includes potatoes, Caesar salad, baked beans, rolls, dessert and beverages. Fresh, live lobsters for carry-out are \$17 each and

must be picked up 4-5 p.m. on Sept. 25. Orders must be received and paid for in advance no later than Sept. 22. Order forms for carry out are available on the church Web site, www.stjohnsplymouth.org. Proceeds from Lobster Fest support the church's work with Episcopal Appalachian Ministries and in the Dominican Republic
Contact: (734) 453-0190

Music membership
Time/Date: Through September
Location: Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, Livonia
Details: The church invites community members to join its music groups in this membership drive. The music groups for all ages include an adult choir for men and women, a praise team, high school youth group band, young children's choir, two adult hand bell groups, three youth hand bell groups and opportunities for instrumentalists through the year
Contact: (734) 422-0404

Scripture discussion
Time/Date: 5 p.m. Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28
Location: St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: "4th Sunday Tune-ups," monthly program of scripture discussion. Topics are: "Setting the Stage: A Real Encounter with Sacred Scripture is Anything but Tame" for September; "Celebrating Biblical Saints" for October; "The Cathedral of Chartres on Jesus' Birth" for November. A potluck dinner follows the sessions.
Contact: (734) 425-5950

SEPT. 30-OCT 6

Drug, alcohol talk
Time/Date: 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 30
Location: St. Joseph Parish multi-purpose room, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon
Details: Alcohol and drug discussion is designed for abusers, family members, anyone interested in the topic. Theresa Lilly, author of "Addiction of a Loved One," and James Balmer, president of Dawn Farms in Ypsilanti, are the speakers. There will be time for questions and answers and refreshments will be served
Contact: (248) 349-3127

Mission
Time/Date: Oct. 3-6
Location: St. John Bosco, 12100 Beech Daly, Redford
Details: Mass at 4 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday; mission talk at 7 p.m., Sunday; 8 a.m. Mass and 7 p.m. mission talk Monday-Wednesday
Contact: (313) 937-9690

Rummage sale
Time/Date: pre-sale 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30; sale 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Oct. 1 and 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 2
Location: Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia
Details: Admission for pre-sale event is \$2; admission is free Oct. 1-2. Everything will be half price on Saturday
Contact: (734) 422-0149

Rummage sale
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sept. 28-29
Location: St. Innocent Orthodox Church, 2330 W. Chicago Road, Redford
Details: Outdoor rummage sale
Contact: Matushka Rose Marie Star at (313) 538-1142

Wine tasting
Time/Date: 3:30-5:30 p.m. Oct. 2
Location: 27565 Spring Valley, Farmington Hills
Details: Fund-raiser for Helping Hands Touching Hearts to Clothe a Village. Rene Tovar with National Wine and Spirits will serve the wine. In addition to wines and light snacks, a massage therapist from Michael's Golden Lotus will be on hand, along with a plam reader, Mary Coddie with unique gifts and Path Lite Jewelry. \$20 per person
Contact: Sidney Bonvallet at sid-4wayne@gmail.com

Women's conference
Time/Date: Saturday, Oct. 2
Location: St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford
Details: 2010 Sisters in Christ Women's Conference, "Harvest Blessings" with speaker Vicki Bryant. Conference topics are "Dead 'N' Dry No More," "Reflections of a Lovely Lady," and "Practicing His Presence - Mary & Martha." Cost is \$40, which includes a continental breakfast at 8:15 a.m. and lunch
Contact: Register by Sept. 27 by

calling Sandy Bousquette from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at (313) 534-7730 and leave message

OCT 7-13
Angels program
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Thursday, October 7
Location: St. Aidan Parish, Bixman Hall, (church building) 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: David J. Conrad, M.A. theology, investigates the reality of angels. Discover how angels operate and are distinctly different from human beings, reflecting the diversity of God's creative work
Contact: RSVP to (734) 425-5950

ONGOING

AWANA
Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesdays
Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills
Details: AWANA program for children from kindergarten-fifth grade
Contact: (248) 426-0096

Classes/study
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month
Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia
Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and

activities, prayer, snacks and fun.
Contact: Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to jcook59@att.net.


Livonia Unity
Time/Date: Monday movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.
Location: 28660 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Learn Qigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - a safe and effective way to rid the body of toxic pathogens and years of painful emotions
Contact: (810) 813-4073 or gary@energeticarts.org.

Men's Bible study
Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.
Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Hagerty, Northville Township
Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church
Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays
Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville
Contact: (734) 846-4615 for information

Nicole's Revival
Time/Date: 9 a.m., Monday-Friday
Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford
Details: Scripture reading
Contact: (313) 531-1234

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TREATING THE PAIN OF ARTHRITIS

Treating pain in arthritis is different from attending to the aftermath of a fracture or a pulled wisdom tooth. The difference is in time that the patient needs treatment. Osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis and lupus arthritis are representative of conditions that may cause recurring pain over a long foreseeable future. Although the drugs we have today to reduce inflammation and its attending pain are excellent, these drugs are not perfect. Even with the best arthritis regimen a patient may experience pain that needs medication for relief.

A physician treating arthritis pain must walk a careful path. Medication such as acetaminophen, ibuprofen or aspirin may be insufficiently strong to resolve the pain. Yet, the physician finds long term use of narcotics such as vicodin and percocet inadvisable. These medications can interfere with proper gut and equilibrium, can slow respiration, and cause profound constipation.

At times, injecting steroids into a joint will end an attack of pain. At other times, the doctor may give a large dose of oral steroids and taper quickly. Using oral steroids may give a temporary respite from pain but repeated use brings out the unwanted side effects of cortisone.

The physician's shifting stance on treatment for arthritic pain represents a compromise among different therapies. Each treatment, if used alone, would not suffice over time, but the same therapy, if alternated with other pain medications can bring the patient relief repeatedly.

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Beloved Father and Grandfather, preceded in death by his beloved wife Della. Survived by his children Teri, Mary, Ed and Val, his grandchildren Alyssa, Rebekah and Josiah, and his siblings Fernita and Ronald. Gathering Thursday 2-9pm and funeral service 12pm Friday at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile, Livonia. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your local senior's center, the Alzheimer's Association or the American Legion. www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com



DR. GERALD LEE COX

Retired Doctor, Public School Teacher of Troy, MI, a resident of Garden City, MI for 51 years, died peacefully August 17, 2010. He was born July 25, 1926. After serving in the 78th Infantry Division in World War II, he was the first and only one in his family to pursue a college education. He graduated from Michigan State University, earned his MA from Wayne State University, and his PhD from the University of Michigan. He served as a member of the Board of Trustees for Schoolcraft College for nearly a decade. He earnestly devoted his life to education, the examined life, harmonious race relations, and human rights activism. Beloved husband of Madeline Mary (Galia) Cox; proud father of Dr. David Cox (Jill Perry), Dr. Gail Fairhall, Keith Cox (Beth Gebeloff), and Dr. Suzanne Cox (Jeffrey Eno); and loving grandfather of Lydia, Emily, Aidan, Andrew, Ethan, Joseph, Aidan, Jessica, and Juliana. A private memorial service is planned. Memorial contributions may be given to the National Peace Foundation (nationalpeace.org).



JAMES FRANCIS DALE

Age 81, passed away on September 14, 2010 after a long battle with vascular disease. "Jimmy", as he was known, was a loving husband to Arlene, proud father of Debora, James, Sharon, Sue, John, Darlene, David, Patrick, Kim, Kathy and step father to Pam, Kim and Kelly. He was also a cherished grandfather of 29 and adoring great-grandfather of six. He will also be remembered by his dear sister Linda. He was preceded in death by his father John, his mother Grace, his brother Norman and sister Arlene. Jimmy was born on May 18th, 1929 in Detroit, Michigan. He was a devout Roman Catholic and a resident of Redford Township for most of his life. He enlisted in the Army in 1947 and was stationed in Fort Monmouth, New Jersey for two years. He was a hard working man, many times working three jobs to support his large family. The majority of his career was with Russell Hardware in Birmingham, Michigan, working many high profile jobs over the years. He was a huge University of Michigan football fan since attending his 1st game in 1941 and many more over 70 years. Go Blue! Jimmy's life will be celebrated at a memorial service planned for October 2, 2010 at 11 am at Our Lady of Loretto Church, 17116 Olympia Road, Redford, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jimmy's name to Treasure Coast Hospice, 1201 SE Indian Street, Stuart, Florida 34997.



JAMES WILLIAM "JIM" FLANNIGAN

Of Livonia, Michigan, Age 82, died September 3, 2010 at Woodhaven Retirement Community in Livonia, Michigan. Survived by son John Flannigan and daughter, Lois Whitmore. Also five grandchildren: Alexandra, Jeffrey, Melissa, Kimberly, and Kelly Flannigan. There will be no viewing or visitation. Cremation and burial took place without services. Jim, an avowed atheist, and maven of good beer, fine wine, choice bourbon and single malt Scotch whiskey requested that those desiring to remember and commemorate his life, raise a glass, and have a drink to his memory. Jim composed the preceding obituary, presented verbatim. His was a Life Well Lived - full of experiences, friends, and good times. Jim served four hitchhikes in the Navy, in WWII and the Korean War. He was an IRS Agent for 25 years, and enjoyed retirement for 22 years. In retirement, he spent his winters in Mexico, California, or on the Gulf Coast. He toured the Wine Countries of California, France, and Italy. He was a free thinker, a voracious reader, and deeply introspective. Those desiring to remember and commemorate Jim's life are invited to join us in raising a glass, and having a drink to his memory, in a celebration on Sunday, October 10, 2010 from 1:00-3:00pm at Deerfield Apartments Club House, 19559 Farmington Road, Livonia, Jim's family can be reached through Jim's e-mail: flanniganj@att.net. Please share a memory at www.rgrgharris.com.

CARRIE GARTNER (McClanahan)

Of Redford, MI, age 46. Died suddenly September 12, 2010. Dearest wife of Kenneth, loving mother of Nathan, Haley, Andrea and Shawn; dear daughter of Joanne McClanahan and the late Joseph McClanahan; dear sister of Roxanne McClanahan, Deanna (Michael) Trancoff and Derek McClanahan. Funeral was September 11th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Livonia.



EARL WOLFRED HILL

Of Farmington, formerly from Detroit, South Lyon and Negaunee, Michigan where he was born on 2-20-1930. He was released from his pain on September 6, 2010. Earl was 80 years old and the youngest son of 11 children to John and Hilma Hill. He is survived by his children: Marty and his wife Charleen of South Lyon, Pat (Arbourn) Lepy and her husband Jim of Commerce, Ernie and his wife Juel of Missouri City Texas, Charlie of Houston, Texas as well as mother of Earl's children Jane Morgan and her long-time companion Ron Beaudoin. He is also survived by his siblings: Lorraine Riddell residing in Florida and Coy Hill, living in Ishpeming, Michigan. He was an avid golfer and loved ski jumping. He was the proud winner of the Nation Ski Jumping Championship in 1952 in Salzbury, Connecticut. He has five grandsons: Jacob Rudi Hills, Justin Paul Hill (wife Lindsey), Alan Anthony Arbourn, Ryan William Arbourn, and Christopher Alan Hill. Earl was a tool and die maker by trade and worked for Borgwards Corporation for many years. Earl hold the record for the oldest person to dive from the 30 foot tower and Sun Lake (Finn Camp) at the age of 77. He loved life and his family and friends will be missed. There will be a Celebration of Life Party on Sunday, September 25, 2010 at the Finn Camp clubhouse located at 2524 Loon Lake Road, Wixom Michigan 48393 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers are suggested to the Arthritis Foundation. Arrangements by PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. On-line guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com



WILLIAM JOHN KOEPLKE

William John Koepke, known as Bill by his friends and family, was born August 15, 1951 in Chicago, Illinois and died August 26, 2010 in Phoenix, Arizona. Bill is survived by his parents, Ruth and Russell Koepke of Fairfield Glade, TN (formerly of Plymouth, MI). Bill grew up in a loving household with his parents and seven siblings in Chicago and then Plymouth, MI. Bill is also survived by Paula Koepke of San Francisco, CA; Peter Koepke (Mhairi) of Cold Spring, NY; Thomas Koepke (Deborah) of Stanton, MI; Jane Cartwright (Jack) of Seaside, OR; Kathryn Koepke (John) of Portland, OR; Elizabeth Jarno (James) of East Lansing, MI; Christopher Koepke (Elizabeth) of Eldersburg, MD, and nine nieces and nephews.

Bill graduated from the University of Detroit High School, earned a Bachelors degree majoring in History and English at the University of Oregon and a Masters degree in Secondary Education at Northern Arizona University. Bill enjoyed teaching and traveling. He combined both these interests by working in the Peace Corps in Papua New Guinea and teaching English to students in Seoul, Korea. He dreamed of eventually retiring to a B and B, taught English, Social Studies, and Drivers Education at Kofa High School in Yuma, AZ and previously at Monument Valley High School in Kayenta, AZ.

Bill will be missed by many, he had good friends and family in many wonderful places on this good Earth. Bill had a kind, gentle manner, believed in our global connectedness and appreciated people's cultural and linguistic differences. Bill had a passion for opening the world to children from diverse cultural and economic backgrounds through his teaching. Bill was a graceful natural athlete and especially enjoyed tennis and basketball. He had the patience and good form to be a tennis instructor and coach. Music, particularly jazz, touched Bill deeply and animated his entire being. Though he never played, he listened with a musician's ear. He danced elegantly, becoming melody and rhythm in fluid motion.

During recent years, Bill suffered from leukemia. However, he maintained his dedication to teaching. Typically on Sundays, Bill could be found in his classroom preparing for the next week of school.

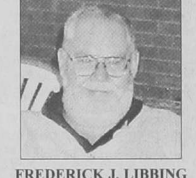
Condolences may be sent to Russell and Ruth Koepke, 112 Sugarbush Circle, Fairfield Glade, TN 38558. A memorial service will be held in Tennessee on October 16, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church at 7503 Peavine Road, Fairfield Glade, TN 38558. Donations in William John Koepke's name may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society at 3877 North Seventh St., Suite 300, Phoenix, AZ, 85014.

CHRISTOPHER "Jim" KREBS

Nov. 10, 1926 - Sept. 14, 2010 Born in St. Joseph, MO, lived in Westland. Contact L.J. Griffin Funeral Home for service info: 734-522-6200

GALEN (MIKE) LE MIEUX

September 13, 2010, age 69. Beloved husband of Barbara. Dear father of Michael (Lori) and Matthew (Renee). Grandfather of Madison and Max. Visitation at Manns-Ferguson Funeral Home, 17000 Middlebelt, (South of 6 Mile), on Saturday from 1 to 9 p.m. with service at 7 p.m. Share a memory at: www.mannsfuneralhome.com



FREDERICK J. LIBBING

Age 71, of Plymouth passed away September 13, 2010. Fred was born in Toledo, Ohio in 1939. He started teaching English and Social Studies at Plymouth High School in 1961 and retired as a counselor from Canton High School 39 years later. He greatly enjoyed his time as a golf and tennis coach. Full of opinions, Fred enjoyed writing numerous articles for the town papers and participating on the City Tax board and the city charter revision committee. Fred loved spending time with his family in the peace and quiet of Northern Michigan throughout the years. He cherished his card games and breakfast with his many friends and his participation with the Goodfellows. Fred is survived by his wife, Jane, his two kids Ken (Mary) and Mike (Michelle), his sister Karen Williams, and his grand kids, Sam, Sydney and Spencer. Please join the family for a memorial strolling brunch in Fred's memory on Sunday September 19, 2010 from 10:00 until 1:00pm at the Fiamma Grill 380 S. Plymouth Community Center may be made in lieu of flowers to the Plymouth Community Council on Aging, 201 South Main, Plymouth. Interment will take place at Toledo Memorial Park in Sylvania, Ohio on Saturday, Arranger-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth

BILLIE ANN LOMIK (Nee Tucker)

Age 62, beloved mother of Leslie (Bruce) Hamel. Loving grandmother of Nicholas and Brandy. Loving sister of Tony (Kathleen) Tucker, Mark Tucker, Christine Silva, Mary Sue (Selim) Gjokaj, William Jr. (Nancy) Tucker and Katie (Jim) Keppen. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Service Fred Wood Funeral Home (Rice Chapel) 36100 Five Mile Rd (One Mile West of Farmington Rd) Tuesday 11:00AM. Visitation Monday 2-9PM. Please share a memory at: fredwoodfuneralhome.com



JOHN S. MCGUIRE

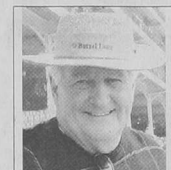
Age 78, of Westland, died Monday, September 13, 2010 after a three month battle with cancer. John is survived by his wife, Barbara, 14 years, Marilyn Wilt. He is also survived by his five children, David (Becky) McGuire of Westland, Steve McGuire of Westland, Kathy (Dave) Leach of Ypsilanti, Joe McGuire of Charlevoix, Diane (Steve) Sneepe of Romeo, IN. His loving grandchildren, Amber, Libby, Jenny, Eric, Heath, Aaron, Jesse, Maggie and Brock, one great-grandchild, Preston. His decision was always to donate his body to U of M for research. Memorial to be held at a later date.

ROY V. MERCER USMC

March 20, 1922 - Sept. 8, 2010. A proud Marine who loved and defended his country. Born in Walled Lake, Michigan. Resided in St. Pete, FL Since 1999. He built many beautiful homes and communities in the Birmingham/Bloomfield Area. He was a visionary. Roy went fully, with his family by his side on his next tour of duty with God. Semper Par. We Love You. Memorial Service to be held at Bay Pines National Cemetery 9/21/2010 at 10:45. Donations to Bay Pines VA Hospice in his honor.

JOHN W. MIELKE

Age 87, of Ferndale, died Saturday, September 11, 2010. He was born July 25, 1923 in Royal Oak to Theodore and Beatrice Mr. Mielke. was active in the Ferndale Historical Society, VFW, Boy Scouts and the Exchange Club. He was part of the First Marine Raider Battalion in U.S. Marine Corps during WWII. Survived by wife, Eleanor; children, John II, David and Jean (Richard) DeKeyser; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and siblings, James Dunstan, Margaret Grabow and Frances. Predeceased by son, James and sister, Isabelle. Arrangements by Spaulding & Curtin Funeral Directors, Ferndale. www.spauldingcurtin.com



DR. LOUIS A. REIBLING, PH.D.

Age 71, of Northville, MI, born September 23, 1938, in Covington, KY, died Monday, September 13, 2010, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville, IL. Dr. Reibling was vice-president emeritus of Schoolcraft College, Livonia, MI. He was also a former dean at Belleville Area College, Belleville, IL. Louis was a member of St. James Catholic Church, Novi, MI, the Northville, MI, Chamber of Commerce, and the Northville Rotary Club. He was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Mary Reibling. Surviving are his daughter, Kim Reibling of Fairview Heights, IL, his son, Chris (Dana) Reibling of Normal, IL, two grandsons, Michael and Austin Reibling; a sister, Pat Ehman; and two brothers, Michael Reibling and John Reibling. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, TN. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at: www.rennerfh.com

A funeral Mass was held at Friday, September 17, 2010, at St. Peter's Cathedral Catholic Church, Belleville, IL. Burial was at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights, IL. Arrangements by George Renner & Sons Funeral Home, Belleville, IL



JO ANN "JENNIE" SHINN

80, of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, formerly of Plymouth, passed away at 10:12 a.m., Thursday, September 2, 2010 at Lutheran Hospital - Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Born on February 8, 1930 in Logansport, Indiana, she was the daughter of the late Giuseppe "Joe" and Marfina (Marocce) Scagnoli. On June 14, 1952 she married Jack L. Shinn, he survives. She was a former medical assistant for several physicians in Michigan and Carmel, Indiana. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, bowling and playing cards. Survivors include her husband Jack L. Shinn of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, also formerly of Plymouth, Michigan, daughter, Elizabeth A. Wasalski and husband Larry of Novi, sons: Richard A. Shinn and wife Janet of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, John J. Shinn of Ft. Wayne, Indiana and Jeffrey V. Shinn of Edmonds, Washington, one brother, three sisters, in Logansport, Indiana. Also surviving are grandchildren, Kristen Wasalski, Carrie Jarco and husband Steven, Kelly Wasalski, Madison Shinn, Alan Shinn, Jessica Shinn and Rachel Shinn, and one great-granddaughter, Hailey Elizabeth Jarco. She was also preceded in death by brothers, Fred, Albert, Guido, Pacifico and Raymond Scagnoli and sister, Mary Arvin. Visitation was Sunday, September 5, 2010 at Morocco Funeral Chapel, 119 E. Market St., Logansport. Funeral services immediately followed with Father Mike McKinney officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Logansport, Indiana at a later date. Memorial Contributions may be made to All Saints Catholic School in Logansport.



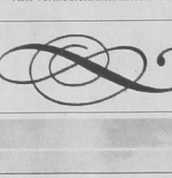
C. THOMAS (TOM) WILSON

Age 81, of Bloomfield, beloved husband and father, died August 12, 2010, a result of complications following heart surgery. Survived by his wife Fran and sons Christopher (Susan) of Troy, Peter (Molly) of Clarkston, and Andy (Amy) of Sault Ste Marie, and pre-deceased by son Michael of Rockford, IL. Loving grandfather to Courtney, Megan, Colin, Mackenzie, Jayme, and Cary. Tom grew up in Detroit and graduated from Highland Park High School. He attended Albion College, where he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He was a Detroit teacher by day and attended Detroit College of Law at night. A distinguished probate and estate attorney for over 50 years, Tom was a partner in the law firm of Nelson, Wilson & Wilson, P.C. He served on various committees of the American Bar Association, and State Bar of Michigan, and Oakland County Bar Association, and was admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. He was past president of the United Homeowners of Bloomfield Township. A member of the township Cable Board, he also served as moderator of the UHO cable television show. In addition, he was host and producer of the weekly syndicated radio show "Somewhere in Time", dedicated to big band and pipe organ music. He was also active in the Redford Theater. Tom and Fran traveled extensively and he enjoyed fishing, especially in northern Ontario, where he was known as "one fish Wilson". A memorial celebration of his life will be held on Saturday, September 25, at 11 a.m. at St. James Episcopal Church, 355 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham. Memorial donations can be made to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Palliative Care or to charity of choice. Carpe diem!



MARY JANE WRIGHT

Age 95, of Plymouth, September 14, 2010. Former co-owner of Harold G. Wright Florist in Detroit. Beloved wife of the late Harold G. Loving mother of Robert H. (Sheila) and Richard "Tim" (Patricia). Proud grandmother of ten, great-grandmother of seventeen, and great-great-grandmother of three. Visitation Thursday, 3-9 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd. (n/w Sheldon and Beck), Plymouth. In State Friday 10:30 AM until 11 AM. Funeral at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth. Memorials may be made to the church. To share memories please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com



In Memory Of



JOHN HENSLEY

Happy Birthday to my beloved husband, John Hensley. We all miss you so much! I'm trying to imagine you having ice cream & cake on Sunday, the 19th. It's been 15 months, but seems like an eternity since you left us. Love you always, Joan, Mike, Renee, Sandy & family

In Memory Of



IN LOVING MEMORY OF RICHARD E. PORTER

April 8, 1950-September 15, 2009. It has been a year now since the good Lord has called you to his side. You are often in our thoughts and are deeply missed with each day that passes. -Your loving Wife and Family-

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May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

Celebrations

Golden anniversary

Louis and Barbara Herremans of Farmington Hills celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Aug. 27.

Lou and Barb were high school sweethearts. Lou graduated from Walkerville High School and Barb (Jensen) graduated from Hart High School. After their wedding they attended Ferris State College in Big Rapids and then Michigan State University, where Lou received his master's in business administration. Lou enjoyed a successful career with the Big Eight Accounting and Consulting firm, Arthur Anderson. At 34, he became the youngest partner and went on to lead all government operations for Anderson Consulting. He is now retired and enjoying



Louis and Barbara Herremans of Farmington Hills

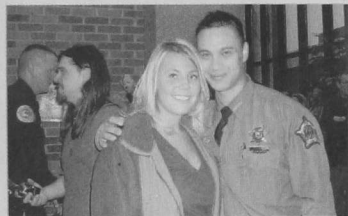
time with his grandchildren, golfing, financial consulting and travel.

Barb has dedicated her life to raising three boys who now all have families of their own. All three currently enjoy successful careers. Barb also enjoys tennis, golf, travel and of course time with their grandchildren.

The couple celebrated their anniversary with the entire family on Mackinac Island, with a family retreat at Mission Point resort and an anniversary dinner at the Grand Hotel.



Louis and Barbara Herremans on their wedding day



Jabolnicki-Kozak

March wedding planned

April Jablonicky and Chaim Kozak of Westland plan to wed March 26, 2011.

The bride-to-be, daughter of James Jablonicky of Westland and Pamela Jablonicky of Garden City, is a 2001 graduate of John Glenn High School. She is employed by Meijer.

The groom-elect, son of Tom and Bongchae Kozak of Westland, is a 2004 graduate of the Michigan Technical. He was with the United States Marine Corps from 2004-2007 and currently is employed by the Boyd County Sheriff Department.

The couple plans to wed at Heritage Park in Taylor.

Birth Announcement



Elliot Grace Messina

Elliot Grace Messina was born May 13, 2010, at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Elliot Grace joins parents, Vince and Chris Messina, and siblings, Avery, 12, and Emerson, 1, at home in Plymouth.

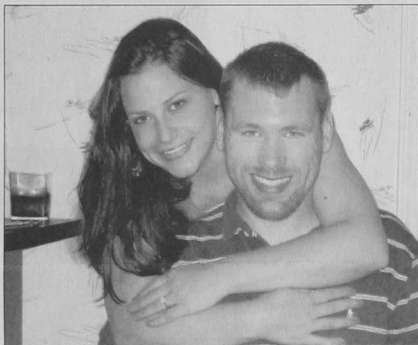
Grandparents are Rick and Gail Urchyk of Davison, Frank and Marlene Messina of Monroe and Diane Carriero of Plymouth.



KEVIN GALLATIN

Perfect setting

Kristy Marie Bell and Beau Pierre Jasmund tied the knot Sept. 11 at the fountain in Kellogg Park during the Plymouth Fall Festival. Family, friends and their children, Devin LaMere and Amber Nicole Rose watched as the Rev. E. Wayne Byrum officiated. The couple lives in Plymouth.



Patrick-Mullaly

June 2011 wedding

Dayna Michelle Patrick and Ryan Patrick Mullaly happily announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Linda and Larry Patrick of Farmington Hills, is a 2001 graduate of Farmington Harrison High School. She earned a degree in psychology from Michigan State University in 2005, and now attends Wayne State University's master's program in social work.

Her fiancé, son of Sandi and Tom Mullaly of Hillsdale, graduated from Hillsdale High School in 2002. He attended Lansing Community College where he earned an associate's degree.

Ryan has his own landscaping company. A June 2011 wedding in Jamaica is planned.



Baker-Sash

Married June 5

David William Baker and Christina Ann Sash were married June 5, 2010 at St. John Chapel in Plymouth. The Rev. Kevin Thomas officiated.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. David Sash of Westland. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Selleck of Livonia. The matron of honor was Valerie Heacock, sister of the groom. Bridesmaids were Nicole Simpson and Dr. Vida Fiorentino. Samantha Baker, daughter of the groom, and Alexis Collier served as flower girls.

The best man was William Baker, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Joe Yates and John Martz. Ushers were Adam Sash, brother of the bride, David Yates and Frank Hilkowski Jr. Mark Collier was the ring bearer.

A reception was held in the Grande Ballroom at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth Township.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to Hawaii and an Alaskan cruise.

The bride is an R.N. at Select Specialty Hospital of Ann Arbor and the groom is employed at LOC Performance Products, Inc. The couple resides in Livonia.



Phil and Corine Samuelson of Redford share cake on their wedding day.

Golden wedding anniversary

Phil and Corine Samuelson of Redford celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday Aug. 21, with a renewal of vows and reception at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church in Livonia.

Philip Raymond Samuelson and Corine Mae Short were married August 27, 1960, at the Archbold Methodist Church in Archbold, Ohio. The couple has three children, Britta (Kevin) Fesler, Sten Samuelson and Kirsten (Andrew) DeVault. They are grandparents to five grandchildren: Nika, Emily, Eli, and Austin Fesler, and Luke DeVault. Phil and Corine are both retired music teachers.

They share a life that is centered around their joy of celebrating and creating music. They have both been very involved in various choral groups in Michigan and Texas.

Phil and Corine have lived in Redford since 1966.



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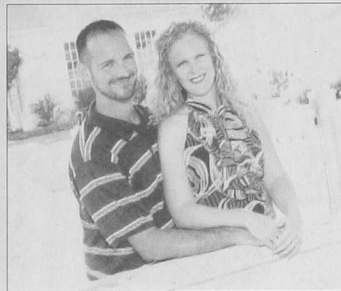
March wedding planned

Traci Bash and David Lake announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Kristi and Allan Bash of Florence, S.C., is a graduate of West Florence High School and Clemson University. She is employed by South Carolina State Parks.

Her fiancé, son of Charla Lake of Livonia and Robert Lake, of South Carolina, is a graduate of Franklin High School, Albion College and the University of Michigan. He is employed with Centerplate, Inc.

A March 5, 2011, wedding is planned in Greenville, S.C.



Miller-Kerrigan

October wedding

Ann Miller and Michael Kerrigan announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Robert and Barbara Colegrove of Hartland, is a Franklin High School graduate. She works as a hair stylist at Beau Chic Salon & Boutique in Plymouth.

Her fiancé, the son of Patrick and Barbara Kerrigan of Livonia, graduated from Stevenson High School. He is the CEO and owner of Mike's Yard Service.

An October 2010 wedding is planned at St. Robert Bellarmine Roman Catholic Church.

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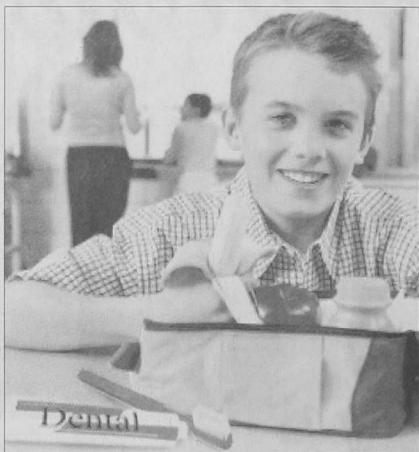
Think you're sending your kids to school with a healthy lunch?

Think again. Some popular lunch items can contain almost as much sugar as a lunch box full of candy bars, according to Delta Dental of Michigan.

"Common lunch foods actually contain a shocking amount of sugar," said Dr. Jed Jacobson, chief science officer and senior vice president at Delta Dental of Michigan. "With small changes, it is surprisingly easy to pack a lunch that is healthier overall and better for your child's teeth."

Consider a lunch with a packaged ham, cheese and crackers meal, a small can of diced peaches, fruit snacks, and a juice box. While it seems healthy and balanced, the sugar count is a whopping 62 grams. An average candy bar contains about 25 grams of sugar.

A few substitutes can reduce the sugar count tremendously. Switch to a ham and cheese sandwich on wheat bread and skip the fruit snacks. In addition to high sugar content, their stickiness holds sugars against teeth for prolonged periods.



Swap out the juice for a kid-sized sports drink or milk and opt for fresh fruits or vegetables instead of canned. These small changes bring this lunch's sugar total down to a more tooth-tolerable 19 grams.

For other teeth-friendly substitutes, consider yogurt as a good option for boosting calcium with only 10 grams of sugar. Even better is string cheese, which also offers calcium but with zero grams of sugar. For a special treat, vanilla wafer cookies have less than half the sugar of chocolate, crème-filled cookies. Potato chips, pretzels and cheesy crackers are good options for low-sugar items.

"Check the nutrition labels on the foods you buy to make sure you know what your kids are eating," Jacobson said. "A healthy and nutritious diet paired with good oral hygiene at home and visits to the dentist can go a long way toward protecting against tooth decay."

If possible, kids should brush their teeth after lunch at school. Keeping a toothbrush and travel-sized tube of toothpaste in a lunch box, desk or locker is a convenient way to encourage this healthy habit. If kids can't brush at school, Jacobson recommends having them rinse their mouths with water or milk after lunch.

Jacobson suggest parents try to avoid packing these high-sugar lunch items:

- Can of pop (40g)
- Fig cookies (23g)
- Chocolate-hazelnut spread (21g)
- Granola bars (19g)
- Pudding (17g)

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NEW FACES



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Three new physicians have joined the staff at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, in Livonia.

Joshua Faley, D.P.M., podiatry, received a degree from Barry University, Miami Shores, Fla. He completed his residency at the Detroit Medical Center, Detroit. Faley is a member of the American Podiatric Medical Association, Michigan Podiatric Medical Association, and Association College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

He practices at 14555 Levan, Suite 302E, Livonia, (734) 591-6612; and at the Michigan Foot & Ankle Center, 24725 W. 12 Mile Road, Suite 270, Southfield, (248) 353-9300.

Azadeh Khaghany, M.D., pediatrics, received a degree from Wayne State University School of Medicine and completed her residency at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit.

She is board certified in pediatrics and a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Her office, Infinity Primary Care, is located at 37595 Seven Mile, Suite 210, Livonia; (734) 432-7581.

Walid Osta, M.D., pain management, received his degree from the American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon. He completed an Anesthesiology residency at Wayne State University School of Medicine and a fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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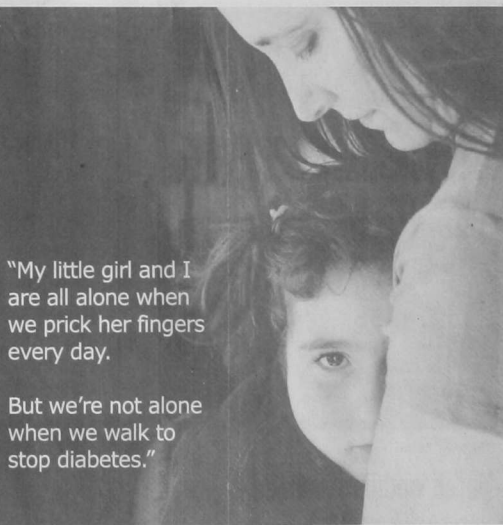
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Keys to Researching Your Next Employer

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"I know right away when a candidate doesn't know the current news about our company," states Chris Brabec, director of leadership talent acquisition for Western Union. "If you don't know the CEO is retiring, or if a company made a big acquisition recently, that's not a good sign. If a candidate can't tell me what the company does (or thinks Western Union still does telegrams), that's another sign she hasn't done her homework."

In a job market where applicants frequently cast a wide net with the hope that anybody will respond, job seekers sometimes cut corners by not thoroughly checking out potential employers. But failure to know about the place you claim you want to work at can make you seem unprepared and disinterested -- and cost you a job offer. Here, experts weigh in on things you should learn before seeking employment and how to go about finding that information.

What to know

"Companies have told us that one of the things they use to weed out candidates is that the student didn't know anything about the company," says John M. Thompson, executive director of career services at Texas

Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas. Among the things Thompson encourages his students to find out are:

- What does the company do?
- What are its products?
- What is the company's mission?
- Where are its offices located?
- How big is the company in terms of employees/revenue?
- How is it positioned in its industry?

"Everyone (but particularly for more senior-level roles) should know our stock price," says Yolanda Bush, director of human resources for Western Union. "Research the company's leadership team and the company's efforts around corporate social responsibility. This will help candidates position themselves to discuss how their skills and experience will help us succeed in the marketplace."

Julie Rulis, a senior recruiter for Western Union's talent acquisition team, agrees with her colleague's advice and adds, "If you are doing an interview at a company, find out if it's in the Fortune 500 and where it is on that list. Even better: Find out where it was a year ago, and if it's different, maybe ask why. It shows you've done your homework. A job candidate should know our products

and services beyond just the basics. With all the tools available nowadays, there's no excuse not to know."

How to play detective

The "tools" Rulis is referring to are all the different ways a job seeker can go about finding information. Abby M. Locke, master résumé writer and personal brand strategist for Premier Writing Solutions in Seattle, Wash., offers these suggestions on how to find information on the company:

- Review the company's website.
 - Read press releases.
 - Pay attention to industry publications.
 - Use Google alerts to stay on top of current company news.
 - Do an informational interview with past or current employees.
 - Talk to a representative at a career fair or trade show.
 - Follow key decision-makers on Twitter.
 - Utilize Linked In groups and other online social media tools.
- Online directories such as Bloomberg and Standard & Poor's also give information on many businesses. For additional help in finding appropriate databases, job seekers may want to consult their local library or the college career center of their alma mater.

Show what you know

Finally, while you don't need to be a walking fact book, be ready to incorporate your knowledge of the company into correspondence and conversation when opportunities arise.

"I ask job candidates questions like what they know about the company beyond what's on the website, how they feel they fit in with our overall values and corporate culture, or what they found out about the company in their research that they didn't know before," Rulis says. "This is a great opportunity to show off your preparation -- talk about our competitors or the fact that you read that we're entering an entirely new business segment."

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- 9 Sharp turn
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- 13 Town square
- 14 NOW cause
- 15 Portrait, usually
- 17 Frizzes
- 19 Skirt border
- 20 Patch
- 21 Cat's year
- 24 Shipping damage
- 28 Lazy water
- 30 Very pale
- 31 QB gain
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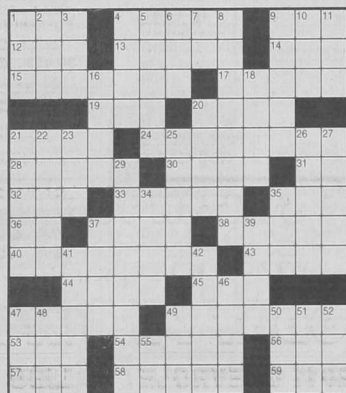
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- 44 River in Russia
- 45 Happy sighs
- 47 Spoged up
- 49 Fainted
- 53 Matthew horn
- 56 Sun Devils sch.
- 57 Where to spot UFOs
- 58 Room furnishings
- 59 Floating leaf
- 1 Resin
- 2 The works
- 3 Earth, in com-bos
- 4 "En garde" weapon
- 5 Repair pipes
- 6 Tree fluid
- 7 Lb. fraction
- 8 Succeeded big-time (3 wds.)
- 9 "The Prisoner of Zenda"
- 10 Pieve

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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UGLY KOA OLAF
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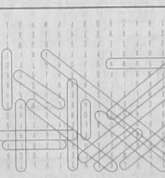
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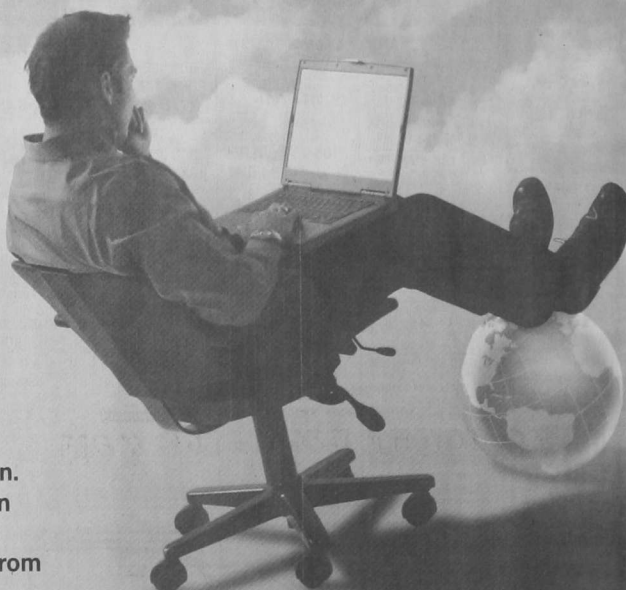
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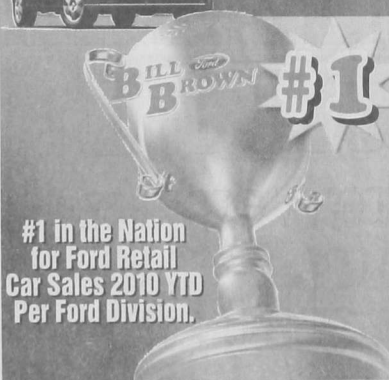
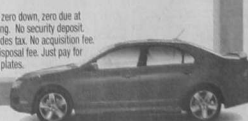
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