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Alumni outing
The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Alumni Committee sponsors the first "Gathering @ the Gridiron" alumni event 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22.

The event is an Alumni Tailgate to take place before Canton and Salem high schools face off in a prep football game. The Alumni Tent will be set up south of the Canton parking lot and will feature food, music and high school memories. Cost is \$5.

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Candidate forum
The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County hosts a candidate forum featuring candidates for the 7th state Senate and 20th and 21st state House districts Monday at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

Candidates for the 7th Senate seat (Plymouth, Canton, Northville and downriver) include Democrat Kathleen Law, Republican Patrick Colbeck, independents John Stewart and Michael Kheibari and Libertarian Marlin Brands. That forum takes place 7-8 p.m.

Candidates for the 20th House seat (Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Wayne) are Democrat Joan Wadsworth and Republican Kurt Heise. Running for the 21st House (Canton, Belleville and Van Buren) seat are incumbent Democrat Dian Slavens and Republican Lori Levi. That forum runs 8-9 p.m.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is at 50400 Cherry Hill.

Board denies Fiegel extension



Fiegel

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

While members of one school board are pondering whether they want Dr. Craig Fiegel to lead their school district, the members of the Plymouth-Canton Community

Schools Board of Education decided they didn't.

Plymouth-Canton's board voted 4-3 Tuesday not to renew the contract of Fiegel, the district's superintendent who is in the final year of his three-year contract. The move came one night before

Fiegel returned for a second interview before the Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Board of Education.

Treasurer Judy Mardigian and trustees John Jackson, Adrienne

Do you think the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education did the right thing in denying Supt. Craig Fiegel a contract extension? E-mail your opinion to bkadrich@hometownlife.com.

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Brett Foster and Jessica Pierce celebrated Friday after being selected Salem High School's Homecoming King and Queen. The night turned out better for Foster and Pierce than it did for the Rocks, who lost their homecoming tilt to Northville, 49-7. The loss dropped Salem to 0-5 overall, 0-3 in the KLAA Central.

Royal Rocks

Canton votes for tax hike

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Amid support from residents who fear plunging revenues could gut their police and fire services, Canton's elected leaders voted 6-0 Tuesday to impose a tax increase to thwart a budget deficit that could otherwise mushroom to nearly \$15 million within two years.

Yet, local officials conceded they still have to secure \$1.8 million in employee concessions and whack spending by \$1.7 million to rescue the township from worsening budget woes largely fueled by a sharp decline in property tax revenues.

"It's a matter of survival," township Trustee John Anthony said.

Canton property owners will see a 1.75-mill tax hike for police and fire services when they receive their tax bills in December. Officials say an average homeowner with an \$89,100 taxable value will pay an additional \$12.99 a month, or nearly \$156 a year.

RESIDENTS WILLING

A majority of residents attending a Tuesday evening public hearing by the Canton Township Board of Trustees — and two earlier public forums — indicated they are willing to absorb a tax hike. The increase will generate an estimated \$5.4 million a year and raise the combined tax rate for police and fire services and the general fund from 8.65 mills to 10.40 mills.

Canton resident and Livonia business owner Rich Keenan spoke in favor of the township

board's decision to raise taxes to protect police and fire services, even though he described himself as a fervent anti-tax conservative.

"People want their families to be safe," Keenan said after Tuesday's vote.

Canton officials had to set local tax rates by Oct. 1 and notify Wayne County.

To be sure, township officials heard token public opposition from critics who said recession-battered residents, especially those who have lost jobs or who have fixed incomes, will be hard hit by a tax hike that follows rising water-sewer rates and other increases.

"People are out of work, and you're trying to tax your way out of the problem," resident Martin Gondek said.

DEEPER CUTS

Trustee Todd Caccamo, criticized for missing Tuesday's meeting due to job duties that took him out of town, had called for deeper budget cuts, particularly in Canton Leisure Services. He had indicated he could only support a lesser tax increase.

During Tuesday's meeting, resident Tony Cauchi criticized Caccamo for missing numerous township board sessions for months and said he should resign "and let someone else take that seat."

When contacted for a response, Caccamo called his absences "temporary" due to job duties and said, "If it were to continue and I thought I could no longer satisfactorily fulfill my duties, I would con-

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Incumbent, challenger spar over 21st House seat Slavens touts first-term accomplishments

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

State Rep. Dian Slavens touted her bipartisan approach, efforts to lure new industry to Michigan, strong voting record and support for slashing legislative salaries and

benefits as reasons she believes 21st District voters will return her to the state House.

"I feel like I've done a fantastic job in my first term," said Slavens, D-Canton. Slavens, 52, faces Republican challenger and small business

owner Lori Levi in the Nov. 2 general election. The winner will earn a two-year term and represent the 21st District, which includes most of Canton, Van Buren Township and Belleville.

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Levi 'doing more, faster' in state House bid

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Republican state House candidate Lori Levi, calling herself a proudly conservative "political outsider" dedicated to limited government and free enterprise,

predicted she can win the 21st District seat over a Democratic incumbent.

"I have a very aggressive work ethic that few people can match," she said. "I do whatever it takes to get the job done."

Levi, a 43-year-old small busi-

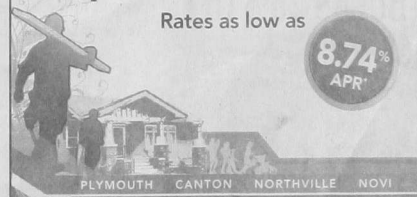
ness owner and Canton resident, faces Democrat state Rep. Dian Slavens in a hotly contested race after defeating GOP rival Shannon Price — who had solid support from local Republican

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sider (resigning). I get far too many positive comments that outweigh that at the moment."

Even Caccamo's board colleagues have taken aim at him. Anthony, for example, dismissed suggestions of even deeper cuts to Canton Leisure Services, saying "political posturing" could lead to the sale of local golf courses and the closing of facilities such as the recreational summit on the Park and the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

TOUGH CHOICE

"We could turn our parks into cornfields, but this still would not address the \$14 million budget deficit," Anthony said, calling such options unacceptable.

Meanwhile, board members who voted 6-0 to raise taxes for police and fire services said their decision was difficult, even though ballot measures approved by voters more than 30 years ago gave officials the authority.

Trustee Pat Williams called it the hardest decision he has made as an elected official and said he has friends who have lost their homes. He called the tax hike "painful" and said "it hurts, but it's the right decision."

Assessor Doug Shaw said Canton's residential property assessments have plunged 39 percent over a three-year period. Moreover, commercial assessments have plummeted 33 percent and industrial losses are expected to reach 15-20 percent.

Supervisor Phil LaJoy said Canton has lost more than \$8 million a year in property tax revenues, and he said the depth of budget problems became chillingly clear as local officials began a multi-year approach to financial planning.

Canton's taxable value has fallen by \$1 billion since 2007, and auditors have warned it could take 14 years to recover.

Resident Greg Demopoulos told the township board Tuesday he doesn't want to see crime increase due to layoffs of police officers.

"We cannot lose one officer," he said.

Canton has 86 sworn police officers and 60 firefighters — fewer employees per 1,000 residents than other metro Detroit communities of comparable size, Public Safety Director Patrick Nemecek said.

LAYOFFS POSSIBLE

During a public forum Monday, resident Nancy Schlager, a nurse, said the township may have to consider layoffs. She said families

What will it cost Residents?

(1.75 mills increase) - Police and Fire Millage

Taxable Value	Total Annual Impact	Monthly Impact
\$70,000	\$122.50	\$10.21
\$90,000	\$157.50	\$13.13
\$110,000	\$192.50	\$16.04
\$130,000	\$227.50	\$18.96
\$150,000	\$262.50	\$21.88
\$170,000	\$297.50	\$24.79
\$190,000	\$332.50	\$27.71

Source: Canton Twp.

on fixed incomes can't afford higher taxes, and her retiree husband, Robert Schlager, agreed.

"I'm getting tired of living like this. It's reaching the point where there's no more money in the till," he said, adding that Michigan isn't in a recession, "we're in a depression."

Residents such as Mike Andro, however, voiced support Monday for the public safety tax hike, saying the increase has been offset by falling property values that ushered in lower tax bills.

"I'm more than happy to pay what I've been paying for years for the public safety," he said.

Township officials have said the tax increase will be accompanied by \$1.7 million in spending cuts in the Public

Safety, Leisure Services and Municipal Services departments. Officials have delayed purchases such as certain police and fire equipment.

Publicly at least, employees groups have been quiet as township leaders have openly called for concessions in wages, health care and unpaid furlough days. Anthony said Tuesday the proposal essentially calls for a 5-percent wage cut and a 10-percent increase in health care co-pays.

Even as talks are ongoing, elected officials have repeatedly mentioned \$1.8 million in concessions during public meetings.

"We need that number," LaJoy said during Monday's public forum. "We're going to get that number."

AROUND CANTON

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

Wrestling boosters

The Salem Wrestling Boosters are sponsoring a Euchre Tournament Saturday, Nov. 6, 2010 at The Elks Club in Plymouth, located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road.

Players must be 21 years of age to participate. The player/reg-

istration fee is \$25 and includes cash prizes, 50/50 drawing, raffles and complimentary food along with a cash bar. The top (3) individuals will share 30 percent of the total entry fees. Limited space is available.

Contact Rich Rohn at rrohn@tmjwest.com or visit the Salem Wrestling web site at "wrestling.salemnocks.com" for more information.

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) 398-5241.

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.

FIEGEL
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Davis and Dianne Gonzalez voted not to renew Fiegel's contract. Board President Steven Sneideman, Vice President Barry Simescu and Secretary Nancy Eggenberger voted in favor of the motion.

"I made a decision two years ago, and I've stuck with it," said Gonzalez, the only board member who voted against Fiegel's hiring two years ago (Jackson wasn't on the board then). "I didn't feel his background was conducive to this district. My concern is our superintendent courageously attempts to do so many things ... without consulting the team. I believe we've encouraged collaboration, to no avail."

Fiegel, whose status has been the subject of debate in recent months, remained philosophical about the decision.

"That's what (the board) gets elected to do, and they have a right to do it," Fiegel said. "I continue to stand by my efforts here. I stand by my character. When you look at leadership, that's what you look at first. I think I did the right things for the right reasons."

PUBLIC SUPPORT

The large crowd gathered at Tuesday's meeting seemed to agree. More than a dozen people spoke during the citizen comments portion of the meeting, urging the board to renew Fiegel's contract.

"I think the board should renew (Fiegel's) contract now, rather than later, and for three years, not one," resident Linda Waldeck said. "If you don't, he'll be snapped up by another district, and we'll be spending money on another expensive search, and I'd rather that money went back into the classroom."

The community support — "That felt good. It was very nice," Fiegel said — didn't sway the decision.

Mardigan, the longest-serving member of the board and one who voted in favor of Fiegel's hiring two years ago, objected to the addition of the resolution to the agenda at a time when Fiegel is interviewing for a job in another district. Walled Lake trustees are expected to make a decision as soon as next week on their new superintendent.

"I think this is the wrong move tonight," Mardigan said. "He's in the middle of a job search. ... I'm disappointed it's on the agenda. I have concerns about the movement away from collaboration. I have talked to many people throughout the district who

have concerns."

CONTINUITY NEEDED

Simescu and Eggenberger argued a district that has changed superintendents five times in 14 years should strive for continuity, particularly in the face of a slate of retiring administrators next year — Deputy Supt. Ken Jacobs, Assistant Supt. for Instructional Services Cindy Swift, Director of Student Services Bob Hayes and Human Resources Director Ray Bihun are all retiring after this school year — and unparalleled academic achievement the last couple of years.

Brooming Fiegel now, they argued, would make it tougher to draw not only a new superintendent, but also replacements for all of the leaders the administration is losing.

"If you're an administrator and thinking about applying here, and you don't know who your superintendent is, or if you're afraid he's going to be gone in a couple of years, why would you want to come here?" Eggenberger said.

Gonzalez said she'd talked to many people who work in the district who were afraid to speak up about their concerns over Fiegel for fear of losing their jobs. She said those concerns are what kept teachers from speaking Tuesday.

"I think it speaks volumes," Gonzalez said of the lack of teachers in the audience. "I speak for the silent majority."

STAFFERS SPEAK

While no district staff spoke up against Fiegel, three of the speakers who supported him were on staff in the district.

"I think we're about to make a mistake," said Mark LaPointe, the Central Middle School athletic director who has spent 37 years teaching at Central. "The carousel is going round and round again. I think (Fiegel) needs to be on board ... he needs time. I really firmly believe if we do not renew, we're making a big mistake."

In the end, the decision not to renew Fiegel's contract left residents in the audience befuddled and angry.

"I'm upset this board can't function together," said Elizabeth Carlson of Plymouth, who has put three children through the district, including one still at Canton High School. "I'm very disappointed. We're going to waste a lot of money. The problem is some board members want to be the administration, and they're not."

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Mosher: Stimulus plan is working

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Natalie Mosher supports the stimulus plan passed by Congress and believes governmental spending in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act can help turn the economy around.

"I think we can bring it close to home, by investing in alternative energy," Mosher said. "Right in our own backyard in Livonia, we had the A123 plant that just opened up. It's North America's largest lithium ion auto battery plant."

Currently 300 employees are employed. Mosher said 3,000 will eventually be employed there.

"These are really good-paying jobs; they certainly can sustain a family, I think it gets us off the dependence on oil that we do need to get off of," Mosher said. "So I do support the recovery act money and I'm really happy to see it come back."

"Unfortunately, my oppo-



Natalie Mosher

ment has voted against this time and again in terms of alternative energy and in favor of big oil."

BUSINESSES NEED CREDIT

Mosher believes businesses need to be able to obtain loans. "We have to provide credit to small business," Mosher said. "Small businesses are the economic engine of our country; they do create the jobs. We do need to work in partnership."

One of the most pressing

issues facing small businesses in southeast Michigan is the loss of capital and credit, Mosher said.

"I've been knocking on doors. If someone will open up and share with me that they own a small business, they are not able to get any credit. If they could get credit, they certainly would be able to hire people and expand their business."

"We need to work in concert, government with business. It's a true partnership."

Mosher believes the financial system needs "some serious" reform. "We need to end the predatory lending practices of the banking industry, regulate the high-risk behavior of hedge fund managers on Wall Street, close corporate tax loopholes, encourage companies to keep jobs in Michigan rather than outsourcing them overseas and keep lobbyists away from lawmakers," Mosher said. Smart government policies will help small businesses create jobs.

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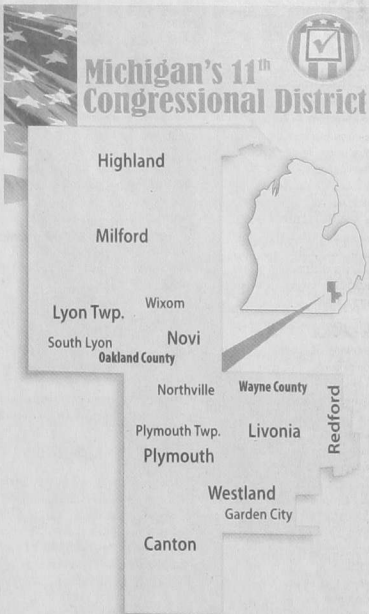
Mosher would like to use congressional oversight of the Federal Reserve to ensure that the U.S. monetary policy supports the interests of small businesses and entrepreneurs and "not just those of big corporations."

Mosher proposes tax incentives for small businesses who hire new employees and for businesses that hire in high unemployment areas like southeast Michigan.

Mosher also supports tax cuts for middle-class families. "Middle-class families are paying too much in payroll taxes," Mosher said. She promised to work to reform the tax code "so that the wealthiest Americans pay their fair share," she said.

"There's nothing wrong with making money," Mosher said. "We just need to ensure some basic fairness in our tax policy."

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McCotter: Tax relief means more jobs

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Thaddeus McCotter believes the stimulus plan is not working, and thinks tax relief is necessary so families can weather the economic storm.

"The stimulus has not even lived up to what its proponents have said," McCotter said.

The stimulus plan was an attempt to keep unemployment at 8.5 percent, but with interest, it put the country a \$1 trillion further in the hole, McCotter said. Stimulus plan supporters, including U.S. Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, now realize there isn't much left to that plan to get the economy going, McCotter said.

"As we've seen with the \$26 billion attempt to bail out states and others, there's not going to be a simple spending solution to this," McCotter said. "In fact, what the spending will continue to do, and we've already seen this, it will continue to deepen the recession and prolong it because the fiscal situation of the United States is untenable."

"What you have to have, and again this is not a novel approach, but you have to have tax relief that allows people, especially families and small businesses, to weather the storm and regain their confidence," McCotter said. "For small business to be hiring again, you have to make sure the larger investors put their money into investment and creation of jobs, rather than hold it back, or rather than feel that there is no utility to it because the profit incentive has been marginalized or minimized to the point that they don't want to do it."



Thaddeus McCotter

TOXIC ASSETS REMAIN

McCotter, who opposed the Wall Street bailout, said that bailout was unacceptable and problems remain with the banking industry because the "zombie banks are floating around."

"The Wall Street bailout did nothing to clean those toxic assets out of the system," McCotter said. "It did nothing

to decentralize the banking system in the United States by taking the large failed companies that had put us in this position and break them up and wall them off."

Instead the smaller community banks have had regulations tightened up when they weren't the problem, McCotter said.

The bipartisan banking reform through the Troubled Asset Relief Program was a failure. "It will continue to be the one largest drag on this economy," McCotter said.

To address the problem, the failed banks should be walled off and broken up. "We're still talking about AIG at this point," McCotter said. Much of the debt and toxic assets remained parked at AIG even after AIG's and TARP bailouts, McCotter said.

McCotter believes banks will continue to carry the toxic assets and not free up capital for the public. Without that infused capital and cleanup of the toxic assets, there won't be a solution, McCotter said.

MANUFACTURERS NEED CAPITAL

"States like Michigan which are capital intensive in the manufacturing sector are going to continue to suffer," McCotter said. "What's worse is federal regulators are coming into our

community banks and forcing them to write down their books and telling them to recapitalize outside. They weren't the people who caused the problem. These are things that were not addressed."

McCotter hopes that Congress will recognize that TARP failed.

On tax relief, McCotter said about 40-50 Democrats have signed on to let the tax cuts continue. He believes the tax cuts have enough votes in the House, but he doesn't know about the Senate.

"You have to do it because if you don't do it, you will have the people with the greatest ability to invest and create jobs not going to do it," McCotter said. "They will sit on the sidelines because their rate of return on investment will be diminished."

"Right now, that probably is the worst place you want to start especially with the banks being frozen. You want to get private equity investment from outside of these financial institutions to start to come back in, to start to reinvest in the economy."

"If you tell them they aren't welcome or tell them that they've somehow done something wrong where they merit special disparate treatment under the tax laws, then they're not going to do it."

McCotter, Mosher vie for Congress

Republican Thaddeus McCotter and Democrat Natalie Mosher are running for a two-year term for the 11th Congressional District of Michigan, which includes the western Wayne and western Oakland County communities of Canton, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth, Milford, Redford Township, South Lyon and Westland, as well as other communities.

A Livonia resident, McCotter was elected in 2002 to Congress. He was elected by his colleagues in November 2006 to serve as chairman of the Republican House Policy Committee. McCotter is also a member of the House Financial Services Committee, where he serves on the Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises and the Housing and Community

Opportunity subcommittees.

McCotter, an attorney, also was elected to the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees, the Wayne County Commission and the state Senate.

McCotter is a graduate of Catholic Central High School, the University of Detroit and the University of Detroit Law School.

Mosher of Canton is a former school teacher. She served on the Erie (Ohio) County Commission, is a former director of her county's American Cancer Society organization, former chief development officer of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy and director of the National Retiree Volunteer Coalition. Mosher received her bachelor's degree in education from Michigan State University.

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Strategy series focuses on social networking

It's no secret social networking has changed the face of the nation — and the business world is no exception.

Two experts will discuss the issue during a program, "Social Networking 201: Beyond the Chat," set for 7:30-9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, at the

Summit on the Park banquet center in Canton.

It's part of the Strategies of Success series sponsored by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton Township — a series designed to help businesses connect to resources and to arm them with information intended to spur success.

The social networking session will feature Amy Lee, Canton Public Library business librarian, and Brenda Meller, Walsh College marketing manager.

Space is limited. Attendees are asked to register by

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CRIME WATCH

Drug collection

1 Canton police collected a startling 51 pounds of prescription drugs during a one-day collection Saturday that allowed residents to drop off unused drugs without question.

Sgt. Mark Gajeski confirmed the amount of prescription drugs collected at the Canton Police Department and turned over to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration for proper disposal.

It's the first time Canton had participated in such a program.

The program — here and elsewhere — came as law-enforcement officials seek to combat abuse of prescription drugs. Gajeski had said it's important not to flush such medications because, even in trace amounts, they can get into the water system.

Footsteps at night

2 A woman who lives on Saltz west of Lilley called police after she woke up, heard her dog barking and noticed a kitchen light go on and off quickly inside her kitchen. The incident happened about 2:30 a.m. when no one should have been in the room.

The woman told police she heard footsteps in the kitchen and living room. Police officers reported finding a doorwall open at the residence.

Nothing was reported missing.

Retail fraud

3 Two juveniles were cited for retail fraud following an incident that happened at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Kohl's store on Ford Road west of Sheldon.

A store loss-prevention officer saw two suspects — one male and one female — place fragrance gift sets in a backpack and a coat. The female also was accused of stealing a brassiere.

The young people were leaving the store when they were confronted. According to police reports, the fragrances were named after pop stars Britney Spears, Usher and Beyonce.

Open door

4 A man told police he returned home to find the front door of his home had been entered sometime between 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday on Lone Wolf, southwest of Haggerty and Palmer.

He told police nothing appeared to be out of place. He said he had left a washer and dryer turned on when he left the home — and he said

the noise may have scared an intruder off.

Spray paint damage

5 The Crossings, southeast of I-275 and Joy, reported that someone spray-painted two vehicles that belong to her. She said the incident happened between 8 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Sunday on Honeytree.

She said someone spray-painted the word "b*tch" on one vehicle. Someone also sprayed paint on a small trailer attached to the back of one of the vehicles.

GPS gone

6 A man reported that someone broke into his Ford Escape and stole his GPS unit while it was parked near Meisel Sysco, Van Born and Haggerty, around 3:20 p.m. Friday. The man also said someone took \$40 from a center console. The

driver-side window of his vehicle had been smashed out.

Video vandal

7 A woman who lives on Palmer Road east of Sheldon told police someone went into her home and stole her son's Xbox and video games, along with a container of coins, between 8:30 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. last Thursday.

There didn't appear to be any signs of forced entry. The woman said the family leaves a key near their front porch.

Burgled vehicles

8 Canton police arrested a man who admitted he had taken several items from parked vehicles. He told police he was homeless.

The man was arrested about 4:30 a.m. last Thursday near Sheldon and Fair, according to police reports. The suspect told police he had stolen Vicodin, a GPS unit and an iPod from vehicles near Cherry Hill and Sheldon.

Police had the man retrace his steps, and they returned the items to their owners.

Nail shop nailing

9 Police arrested a man for breaking into the Tic Tac Nails store on Ford Road east of Morton Taylor around 1 a.m. last Thursday.

Police went to the store after receiving a report of a possible break-in. Officers caught a man who was in the process of stealing three flat-screen TVs from the business, according to police reports.

The man was arrested at the scene.

Compiled by Staff Writer Darrell Clem from Canton Police Department reports.



7-Eleven suspects are bound for trial

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Two of three defendants accused of robbing a Canton convenience store have been ordered to stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Teron Lesyd Daniels, 21, of Ann Arbor, and Nico Chavez Peterson, 20, of Ypsilanti, are facing trial amid charges they robbed the 7-Eleven store on Warren near Morton Taylor around 3:50 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11.

Daniels and Peterson are facing trial after they voluntarily waived their right to a preliminary hearing Friday in 35th District Court — a decision that averted testimony.

However, a third defendant, 19-year-old Dan Christian Paul of Ypsilanti, will have to wait until Friday, Oct. 15, to learn whether he will face trial. Paul was in a hospital Friday, though it wasn't known why, and he is expected to return to court by mid-October.

The trio has been charged following an incident in which a handgun was pointed near the head of a female clerk. No shots were fired and no one was hurt during the holdup.

Canton police stopped an alleged getaway car and arrested the three defendants, who were arraigned Sept. 13 by 35th District Judge Ronald Lowe.

Paul, Daniels and Peterson all face armed robbery charges. Paul also was charged with



Daniels



Peterson

felony firearm, and Peterson was slapped with a charge of having less than 25 grams of cocaine in his possession.

If convicted, all three defendants could face penalties ranging up to life in prison.

Lowe had ordered all three men jailed with a \$100,000 cash bond, and Paul was expected to be returned to jail after he leaves the hospital.

Canton police officers had been dispatched to the 7-Eleven store after they received reports of a robbery in progress. According to police reports, one man ran behind the counter and pointed a gun at the female clerk, and another suspect held a bag in which the worker was ordered to place an unknown amount of money.

The two men fled the store and were captured within moments, along with a third suspect, when police spotted a green Chrysler Sebring near Morton Taylor and Oakbrook. The trio was handcuffed and taken into custody without incident.

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SLAVENS

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Slavens acknowledged during an interview what many political observers have long said — that Canton, with an increasingly diverse population, has become closely split between Democrats and Republicans. Yet, even in an election year when many voters appear restless and ready for change, Slavens predicted she will fend off a challenge from Levi, a tireless campaigner.

FIRST-TIME WIN

Slavens gave Democrats the edge in the 21st District after she defeated GOP candidate Todd LaJoy two years ago for the seat formerly held by LaJoy's father, Phil LaJoy, now the Canton Township supervisor. Moreover, Slavens trumpeted a legislative record she said should make 21st District voters proud.

Slavens became involved in a



Slavens

THE SLAVENS FILE

Who: Dian Slavens, 52

What: Incumbent candidate, 21st state House seat (Canton, Belleville and Van Buren)

Number of years in the district: 22 years

Family: Husband Mark Slavens, daughters Damey and Molly, son Patrick

Education: Associate's degree in allied health, graduate of respiratory therapy, registered respiratory therapist

Professional background: Respiratory therapist

Related experience: State representative 2008-present

Community involvement: Sunday school teacher and LOGO instructor at Geneva Presbyterian Church, parent volunteer at Plymouth-Canton Schools

Website: www.dianslavens.com

bipartisan freshman caucus she said has worked hard to reach across party lines, end petty bickering and place recession-ravaged Michigan's economic needs ahead of partisan politics.

"Together we need to focus on getting jobs here in Michigan and improving education," Slavens said.

She sponsored a bill she said provided tax incentives to lure

advanced battery industry to Michigan, saying the state has long had the reputation of "motor capital" and "we need to be the electric car capital, too." She said the bill already has produced results.

Slavens also helped lead the charge to eliminate lifetime health-care benefits for state legislators. Although her bill also would have eliminated the

perk for current lawmakers, she said her colleagues ultimately approved a measure only for future-elected legislators.

PAY CUT

Regardless, she said she gave up the benefit for herself, because "to me, it's the right thing to do."

Some critics have said she didn't stand to lose lifetime health care because she is married to Wayne County Circuit Judge Mark Slavens. She responded to those allegations during an interview, saying it's "not true" that her husband has lifetime health care.

Slavens also co-sponsored a bill that she said is set to slash legislative salaries by 10 percent from their current \$79,650. She said lawmakers needed to lead by example and show they are willing to cut their own benefits in a state where many private-sector workers have lost jobs and benefits.

Slavens said she knows people who now have food-aid Bridge Cards who never thought they would be faced with such a reality.

Slavens also called for continued efforts to help small businesses, saying the jobs they produce are what is needed to help Michigan recover. She called for greater efforts to remove government roadblocks and to streamline the process for business owners seeking to set up shop.

Moreover, Slavens said Michigan's economic success remains tied to the need to provide schools and teachers with the resources they need to prepare students to work in a highly educated workforce. However, she said simply throwing more money at education isn't the answer.

Slavens said tough decisions, such as having smaller school districts explore consolidation efforts to save money, are needed.

"We have to be realistic," she said, adding that "the money's just not there" to continue the status quo.

Like many candidates, Slavens said she supports phasing out or reducing the Michigan Business Tax and exploring other options,

such as closing tax loopholes, to help recoup the revenue losses. She said she opposes efforts to expand the sales tax to other services because businesses "are struggling as it is."

Slavens serves as co-chair of a House committee on senior citizen health and benefits, and she also serves on other panels such as ethics/elections and health policy. If re-elected, she said she would like to chair a committee on family and children services.

In her first term, Slavens said she amassed a 100-percent voting record. And though she said her legislative duties in Lansing have made it more difficult for her to spend as much time campaigning as Levi has, she said she feels an obligation to be on the job.

"I'm working hard," she said.

LEVI

FROM PAGE A1

heavyweights — in the August primary.

Levi, who has described herself as "unapologetically pro-God, pro-life, pro-gun and pro-freedom," is waging an aggressive, door-to-door campaign in a district that includes most of Canton, Van Buren Township and Belleville.

After her primary victory, Levi said she is "doing more, faster" by working hard throughout the district to reach voters who will take their support of her conservative values to the Nov. 2 general election polls.

FLIPPING SIDES

Levi pointed to one organization called MIRS (Michigan Information & Research Service) that has placed the 21st District among the top 15 House seats most likely to flip parties this November.

MIRS said its assessment is less about Slavens and more about Levi's tireless campaign efforts and pro-Tea Party views — popular among certain voters who have rallied against established politicians.

Though she has acknowledged Tea Party support, Levi also has said she has waged a campaign that appeals to a broad base of voters who share her views for cutting business taxes, streamlining regulations, improving Michigan's infrastructure, slashing government spending and allowing the free market to thrive.

"I take no votes for granted," Levi said. "I am a political outsider, and I think people are looking for someone who is not a politician, who has business experience and who can make decisions not based on how it will look politically or what my party will think" — but what she views as best for Michigan.

SELF-DESCRIPTION

Levi describes herself as "conservative first, Republican next." She is a pro-life, pro-Second Amendment, National Rifle Association member who has called for phasing out the Michigan Business Tax and seeking a fairer, flat corporate tax she said "would create a stable playing field."

She also opposes tax subsidies for select industries and favors an overall lower tax structure aided by a free market. She vehemently

believes state government should be cut "drastically" and has said the state should sharpen its focus on providing key services such as public safety, a better infrastructure and equitable education funding.

Although many local GOP heavyweights had backed Price in the August primary, Levi said she believes Republicans will now support her in the general election because, she said, most realize the ultimate goal is to get "conservative, business-minded people" elected to state offices.

Levi believes she has a solid chance of winning the 21st District seat, which shifted from Republicans to the Democrats just two years ago when Slavens defeated GOP nominee Todd LaJoy — son of former state Rep. Phil LaJoy, now Canton Township supervisor.

Levi acknowledged that Slavens has certain tools as an incumbent, such as mailings from her office to her constituents, and Levi didn't quibble with such advantages.

"I've got to catch up with the name recognition," Levi said, "but I believe the anti-incumbent, anti-Democratic mood is working in my favor."



Levi

THE LEVI FILE

Who: Lori Levi, 43

What: Republican candidate, 21st state House district

Family: Husband of 12 years, Brian; stepsons Jeffrey (19) and Jeremy (18), daughters Porsche (9) and Brietta (4)

Residency: 16 years

Community involvement: Chamber of Commerce, Rotary participation (not member), Northridge Church, Volunteer for Canton Township events — Christmas in Action, River Cleanup

Open Door Ministry Food Bank, Northridge Church security team and book store. Provides multiple community safety programs mainly for women and children.

Hobbies: Snowmobiling, boating, traveling, self-defense training and community safety programs.

Related experience: Subcontractor HB Trucking Co. family business — Great Lakes Sand Gravel. Fifteen years top sales and customer service award recipient at North Brothers Ford.

Profession: SE Levi International (private franchising, Internet-based) and owner of Porsche Enterprises rental management company.

Education: High school graduate, some college. Pursued entrepreneurial pursuits, motivational and self-development training.

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Levi started her campaign in earnest in January, and she shows no signs of slowing down as she enters her 10th month on the trail. She said she takes time to listen to voters she encounters, and she doesn't mind spending 20 minutes at a single household to hear their concerns.

"I will take time for them and

listen to their concerns," she said. "I have a solutions-oriented, forward-focused, positive agenda."

Levi said she prefers not to point blame for the state's problems. She said it's time to stop assigning blame and focus on fixing the problems.

"I'm focusing on solutions," she said. "I don't care whose fault it is."

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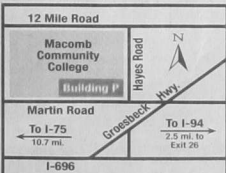
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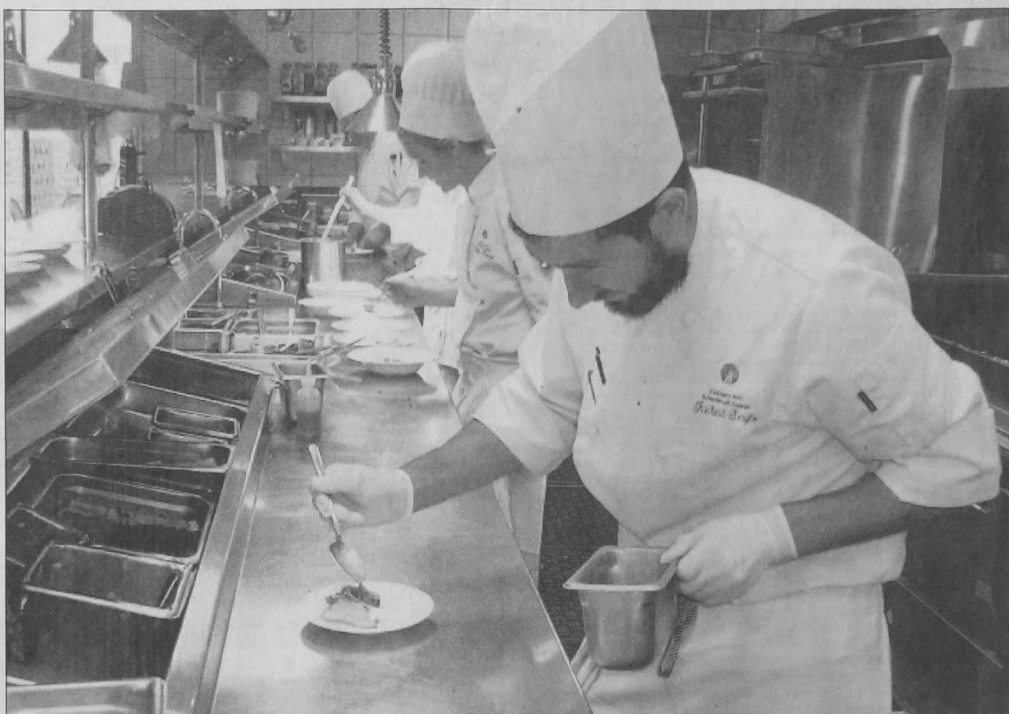
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Richard Serylo of Livonia, a student in the culinary arts program, puts the finishing touches on an Asian crab crisp served at Sunday's VIP reception for sponsors.

Food, wine event: A delicious way to raise money for Schoolcraft students



Supporting Sunday's event, which raised money for student scholarships, were Linda and Jim McCann of Livonia and Brandon Kritzman, of New Perspective Architects in Livonia. Linda McCann is the director of Community Resources for the city of Livonia. Jim McCann is president of the Livonia City Council.



Chris Rennolds of Plymouth (right) selects a cupcake from Just Baked (a cupcake shop and bakery) in Livonia. Jordan Conn of Just Baked kept the pastry table well-stocked with a delicious assortment of cupcakes.

Food, beverage and dessert purveyors from near (metro Detroit) and far (northern Michigan) offered tasty samplings for a good cause last Sunday at the 19th annual Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza. Nearly 700 people tasted samples from 50 vendors.

Guests sampled breads from Zingerman's Bakehouse, biscotti and shortbread from The Biscotti Bar Bakery in Plymouth, crab cakes from the Schoolcraft Culinary Department and cupcakes from both the Cupcake Station in Birmingham and Just Baked (a cupcake shop and bakery) in Livonia. The pulled pork mini-sandwiches offered by Red Smoke Barbeque and the samples of flavored vodka at the McCormick table were popular spots all afternoon.

"We were very pleased with this year's event," said Marge Lynch of Schoolcraft's Special Events and Fundraising Office and member of the 2010 Culinary Host Committee. "The restaurants were great — we even had two show up we didn't know about. Ticket sales exceeded last year and our volunteers were wonderful."

"The most important part is that the proceeds will help our students through scholarship support," Lynch added. "This fall our Financial Aid Office has been overwhelmed with students in need of aid. The event also benefits the culinary arts department. They use the funds to help with student support and for the students to prepare for and to attend competitions."



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Mothers and daughters: Enjoying Sunday's food and wine extravaganza for the first time were (from left) Kristina and Kelly Johnson and Caroline and Christina Hinkle, all of Livonia. "We have heard about the event for years — this is our first time," said Kristina Johnson.



Dick and Ann McDowell (from right) entertained friends Pete and Barbara Lanza from Pittsburgh (from left) at Sunday's food and wine event. Dick McDowell is a former president of Schoolcraft College and serves as a member of the sponsorship committee for the annual event.



Getting ready to serve a delicious assortment of pastries to patrons at the VIP reception are students Susan Summa of Detroit, Lucianna Benavidez of Livonia and formerly of Argentina and Geri Markley of Wayne.



Schoolcraft President Conway Jeffress welcomes guests at the VIP reception at Sunday's Culinary Extravaganza.



Janice Quinn of Canton Township enjoys the desserts and wine at Sunday's VIP culinary reception for sponsors.

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Angela Hospice walkers remember loved ones

BY JULIE BROWN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Sheila Wofford of Canton normally gets up early weekdays for her school bus driver job. Sunday is church, leaving Saturday for sleeping in.

She made an important exception Saturday for the Angela Hospice Walk of Remembrance, held on the Felician Sisters' grounds in Livonia.

Wofford, husband Gary and others from their family were walking in memory of her mom, Betty Monteith, who died a year ago August.

"She had a wonderful life," Sheila Wofford said. "She had nine children. Very outgoing, always had something to say. Apples don't fall too far from the tree."

GIVING BACK

Their family used Angela Hospice services, and agreed the Walk of Remembrance was a great way to give back.

"I think it's absolutely wonderful," Wofford said. "When people do good things for

you, it's always nice to give back."

Her mom lived with them for six years when healthy. They'd planned to use hospice for home care, and used it in the hospital.

The family was wearing Betty's picture, with a number of other walkers wearing photos of their loved one as well as name ribbons. Michael Gluth of Westland, a Livonia Franklin High sophomore, was walking for "my grandma, Ruth Gluth." She died three years ago.

Gluth, 15, was joined by his mom, brother, grandfather, aunt and uncle walking Saturday. "I like it," the teen said of the Walk of Remembrance. "It's good there's a way to remember."

"She was really nice," Gluth added of his grandmother. "Just everything" is what he loved about her.

Barb Iovan of Livonia, events coordinator for Angela Hospice, was busy Saturday, but took time to talk. "We have over 500 already preregistered," she



Walkers pass through the grotto on the Angela Hospice grounds.

said. "We'll be over 600, which is wonderful."

BENEFITS BEREAVEMENT PROGRAMS

This year's event, the third annual, included something new, about 17 fund-raising teams that got together in August and did fund-raising for Angela Hospice.

"Everybody's walking to remember someone," Iovan said. She was pleased with the partly sunny skies.

"We always count on Sister (Giovanni) for that, and it looks like she came through."

"It's something virtually everyone can do," she said of the event's appeal. "They had a loved one; they lost that person."

Proceeds are used for bereavement programs, not limited to Angela Hospice users, and offered free.

There's one for loss of a spouse, Heartstrings for those who lose a child under 25, suicide loss and programs for children and teens.

Walker Marion Wisniewski of Livonia walked for the first time this year, in memory of



Cindy Neal of Milford, Karin Baugher of Livonia, Danielle Gill of Plymouth and Britney Fischer of Shelby Township pause during the Walk of Remembrance Saturday. They're with the Mimi's Marchers team and were passing by the Felician Sisters Central Convent.

her sister, Carol Keith. "She passed away seven years ago," Wisniewski said.

Volunteer Molly Rahmel of Livonia brought Wisniewski and five others to the event:

"Now I'm going over to work," Rahmel said with a smile.

RAISING AWARENESS

Wisniewski, who lost her sister to cancer, said, "She

was the most wonderful person. Giving. She was very young when she died. She had just turned 51." She agreed the walk was wonderful.

"I think they're great because they bring an awareness," Wisniewski said. She agreed Carol would be proud. "I'm sure she is because I've never done anything like this."

Some 70 volunteers were at the event Saturday, with registration beginning at Madonna University. Syndie Best of Westland, hospice volunteer coordinator, said volunteers handled parking, registration, shuttles for older walkers, course marshal duties and refreshments and rock painting at the conclusion.

"And then, of course, the cleanup crew," Best said. "There's lots to do."

"We could not do this event without the volunteers," she added of those who gave up a chunk of Saturday. "I believe time is more valuable than money these days. We are so busy, and time is such a precious commodity. To give of their time is really meaningful."

Rhonda Tinsley of Belleville was walking for her nephew, Jason Glenn, who died as a newborn. He died "last year today, Sept. 25," his aunt said.

There were about 50 from Jason's family walking. "I think it's very special in regards to remembrance of loved ones," Tinsley said. "We love him so much."

She asked for prayers for Jason's parents, Jason and DeLisha Glenn of Romulus, both of whom walked. "They did a lot to help them through this grieving process," Tinsley said of Angela Hospice.

Canton's Sheila Wofford was also grateful to have matters tended to when her mom was dying. "It was nice just to concentrate on her," Wofford said. "We got to concentrate on being with her. Proud to be doing the walk."



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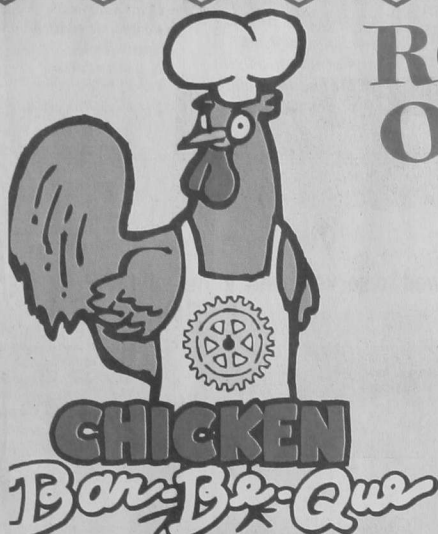
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OUR VIEWS

Stranger danger

Keeping kids safe is everyone's job

The beginning of a new school year brings out a variety of warnings, cautions about increased school buses on the road and students walking to and from school.

One of the more important considerations has to be warnings about "stranger danger," reminding parents, guardians and neighbors to be vigilant in keeping kids, of all ages, in this community safe.

At home, it starts with talking to kids — telling them what to do if someone they do not know approaches them at the bus stop or on the walk to or from school.

This is important because children, even teenagers, have a false vision of "strangers" as being creepy, ugly, scary people who typically say things like, "Hey, little girl, do you want some candy?"

An ill-intentioned person can be a nice looking man, a woman, even a young adult who is dressed really cool.

Kids can't predict the motives of others — they think and live in the present moment. Even the most intelligent child cannot grasp that someone who looks nice, or someone who knows their name, is a stranger who could be trying to pick them up.

Children are taught to be nice; to respect adults and not be rude.

The following safety guidelines will help keep our children safe:

- Children should be aware of their surroundings, including strangers or people in parked cars.
- They should avoid people they do not know.
- They should not respond to or accept offers or requests made by strangers. This includes comments like, "Can you help me find my dog?" or "I'm lost, can you tell me which street I'm on?" Remember, adults wouldn't normally ask a child for directions.

• They should immediately report to their school, family and the police any suspicious approach made to them by a stranger.

• They should go directly home from school and check in with parents.

• They should walk in groups and not engage in conversations with strangers.

• Parents and guardians should not let their child dress in clothing that has his or her name on it — for example, a jersey with the child's first name on the back, or a name on the child's backpack. When kids are called by name, they tend to let their guard down.

• Parents and guardians should teach their children that it is OK to run away or to scream if someone is making him or her do something they don't want to do. Tell them they can run to a neighbor's house and knock on the door if they need help.

• Establish a family "code word" and teach children to ask for it, if they're approached by someone they do not know.

Some would argue that today's society is overreacting and being overly paranoid and it's causing children to grow up in fear and in sheltered environments. We do encourage kids in neighborhoods to walk to school — but only if they're taught to avoid contact with people they do not know.

They need adults to teach them that strangers who have ill intentions are tricky — they can contrive stories and scenarios that could easily sway a child in their direction.

We need parents, grandparents, guardians and neighbors to be the eyes and ears in our neighborhoods. It's unfortunate that we have to keep our guards up, but consider the consequences the one time that we do not. Obviously, a child's life isn't worth that risk.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you think gays should be allowed to serve openly in the military?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



"Yes. Anybody who wants to serve should be allowed to serve."

Amanda Curtright
Canton



"I see no reason why they can't just because of their preference. It shouldn't stop them from being allowed to serve their country."

Scott Nutt
Canton



"I actually think yes. We shouldn't be judging people for their preference."

Shelia Macionis
Canton



"Yes. They're people like anybody else. To not let them serve is like saying a black person can't serve in the Army."

Jordan Finegan
Canton

LETTERS

Supporting Fiegel

There is discussion among the Board of Education on whether to renew the contract of Dr. Craig Fiegel. I am wondering why the PCCS board would want to get rid of a superintendent who is doing as well as his record shows.

Last year, PCCS got an all "A" schools marking for the first time and the highest MEAP scores in PCCS history. There is an energy savings program, and he's come up with creative funding for bus replacement. He has restructured the Park, a long-standing need.

There's an updated Code of Conduct that actually might make sense. The budget has balanced over the past two years in the midst of tough economic times. He's involved the community in the budget process and now is calling on the community to help in strategic planning.

He's showed wisdom in hard decisions. In 2009 when districts around us closed down for a week for H1N1, he shut down for two days to await the decision from the CDC. After two days, the CDC said it was safe to open school, and PCCS was back in business while districts around us had families that had left town thinking school was out for a week.

Over the last 15 years, PCCS has spent over \$100,000 to hire new leaders. That's just the dollars. What about the time and energy expended in transition, getting a new person up to speed, and all the challenges that accompany each change of administration?

I've sat in those chairs and know it's a thankless job. It takes hard work and unbelievably long hours, but it also takes a high level of selflessness and willingness to set aside personal agendas that seems to be missing in some of our board members. I was on the PCCS board and saw board members drive away Chuck Little in 1999. A few years later, some former board members pushed Kathleen Booher out. Board members also made Jim Ryan's life difficult. None of these superintendents were perfect, but I worked closely with all of them, and know they would have done far better if the majority of the board had stood behind them.

The adversarial spirit on the PCCS board troubles me. It's a spirit that seems to think superintendents should walk on water or solve every issue in the district. Sorry, that kind of leader just doesn't exist, but with the track record of this district, if Fiegel is pushed out the door, I'm not sure ANY superintendent will want to come our way.

The job of the board is to educate children in the best manner possible. It's time for the community to tell the board to quit infighting, get their hands and noses out of administration, and start leading with solidarity. They hired a superintendent and need to support him to do the job, not criticize every move he makes.

Elizabeth M. Givens
PCCS board 1996-2004

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No flag benefit

Am I missing something? The identification flags on Ford Road have been up for quite a while now. I have not seen store advertising in print that correlates with those flags. Right now it is just one more thing adding to the jumble on Ford Road.

When I read the Observer Newspaper ads or the circulars that come to my house, I look for a flag denoting where on Ford Road is that particular business. I have seen nothing.

I believe the DDA probably went through a great deal of planning and expense to have those flags erected, but so far I haven't seen any benefit to the consumer who is trying to work his/her way through the Ford Road maze.

Are there still parts of the program that haven't been rolled out yet? Even if the businesses begin to correlate the flags with their advertising, there is no way to distinguish whether a particular store would be on the north side or the south side of Ford. An "n" for north side and an "s" for the south side on the flags would have made it easier, should that program ever help untangle the mess.

Nancy Austin
Canton

Colbeck misleading

In response to the Sept. 23 letter to the editor submitted by Vasu Kotha in support of Patrick Colbeck for state Senate:

Patrick Colbeck's Campaign Finance Report discloses that he received \$2,500 from Senate Majority leader Mike Bishop.

This is a direct contradiction to Mr. Kotha's words that "He (Colbeck) will not be just another senator who goes along with the Senate majority leader."

Upon further evaluation of Colbeck's finance report, it is clear that Colbeck is the poster child for special interests. His contributions and support have come from Bruce Patterson, Robert Young, and outspoken Tea Party member David Janda (www.sos.gov).

Patrick Colbeck is a phony if he is trying to pass himself off as a candidate for the people. It looks like he is indeed "toeing the party line."

Kristen Farmer
Plymouth

Great vets event

I would like to commend Joan Noricks, Canton Community Foundation President, for presenting the first Veterans Educational Summit at Laurel Manor.

The group of knowledgeable speakers and the companies that helped sponsor this event were invaluable to us veterans. My husband and I both are vets and proud of that fact. Besides getting veteran information, we were served breakfast, lunch and had an opportunity to talk to many of the speakers. We were given the necessary data to be able to contact the agencies in person. I am hoping this program will be offered again next year. It's not just for older veterans, they have many helpful programs available for the younger vets to help them in their transition back into the world.

I personally want to thank Joan and James Fausone for making this day possible. Their tireless efforts in helping veterans goes above and beyond and is greatly appreciated. They are to be applauded as members and leaders in our community. People like Joan and James help make Canton the great place it is to live in.

Gale Owens
Canton

Stewart understands

Thank you to the scores of people from Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Grosse Ile and many other communities for being with us on Sunday, Sept. 19.

We held a "Meet the Candidate" open house at our home so that voters of all political persuasions could meet and chat with John Stewart of Plymouth. John Stewart is an independent candidate for Senate for the Seventh District, a longtime resident of Plymouth, a prominent attorney, a former state representative, and an individual that we believe represents the best in public service.

We think that John Stewart understands that successful government of, by, and for the people requires that voters view themselves as the government. He believes that voters must tell elected officials how they want to be governed, how they want their tax dollars spent, how they want their education system improved, and to give priority to job creation.

We suggest that voters take the time to look at the records of the five candidates for the Senate from the Seventh District. What are their past voting records, community involvement, past (if any) attendance records at legislative sessions in Lansing, and try to determine if their political partisanship makes it impossible for them to truly represent their constituency?

Once again, our sincere thank you to everyone who made our Sunday gathering such a success, proving that people of all political persuasions can gather together for constructive dialogue.

Paul and Lee Coen
Canton

ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS



The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues. In Your Voices. Find more comments or join the discussion on the Web at hometownlife.com.

In response to "Plymouth-Canton School Supt. Fiegel interviews for Walled Lake post":

"Budgets were balanced before Fiegel and they will be balanced after. Shame on you for wanting to rubber stamp a superintendent just because of your vindictiveness for certain board members. It's not about you or your hatred for these board members - I'm sick of hearing about it - it's about our kids and no one gets rubber stamped. Supt. needs to be reviewed yearly and the arrogance of some thinking the superintendent can get an early contract approval when the rest of the working people (parents) are losing jobs and finding out about our contract renewals at employers discretion. I've watched Fiegel at the school board mtgs and his public reports - I'm not impressed - his staff and administrators really do all the work. If anything, district test scores and budget balancing are from before Fiegel's reign. NO RUBBER STAMPS - yearly reviews!"

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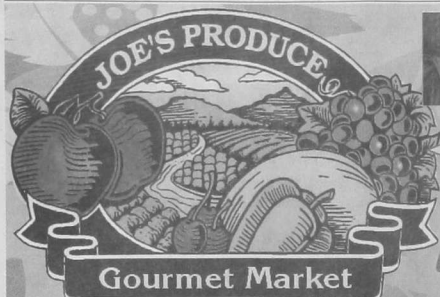
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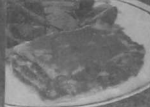
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Sgt. Justin Winch (left) and Canton Soccer Club director Pete Alexander greet each other after Winch donated a \$500 check to fundraising efforts to help three youth teams travel to a tournament in Scotland next spring. Two days later, Winch was redeployed to Iraq.

Lifetime 'Experience' awaits soccer teams

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Soccer is viewed by many as the world's game, and young players in Canton — through the generosity of many, including an American sergeant now based in Iraq — hopefully will soon find out first hand what that means.

Three Canton Celtic teams (two U9, one U12) were invited to go to Scotland in April 2011 for a week's worth of games and cultural experiences. But for that to happen, \$35,000 or so in airfare money for the players needs to be generated through a series of fund-raisers.

Bottle drives, restaurant nights and bake sales are ongoing, but really jumpstarting money-raising efforts was an unexpected \$500 donation by Sgt. Justin Winch at an August picnic just two days before being redeployed to Iraq.

Winch's 8-year-old nephew is Noah Bachir, a player on one of the U9 Celtic squads.

All of the teams are part of Canton Soccer Club, which got the ball rolling for a "Scotland Experience" by hosting the Woodwynd Wolves of Scotland at the 2010 Celtic Invitational (part of the Canton Cup over Memorial Day weekend).

"Initially, he (Winch) walked over and the boys were all practicing," said Noah's mom, Jackie Rodriguez of Canton. "They called him over to do pictures with him. They all came up to him with their hands up, saying 'We surrender, we surrender!'"



Members of two Canton Celtic U9 boys soccer teams pose with Sgt. Justin Winch (standing, back row middle), during an August practice/picnic. Players include Winch's 8-year-old nephew, Noah Bachir. Also standing in the back row is coach Dana Jackson.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Individuals and businesses interested in helping the teams raise money for the trip, please send an e-mail to scotlandexperience2011@gmail.com.

"He took a photo with all the boys, and the coach (Dana Jackson) and (Canton Soccer Club director) Pete Alexander, handing over the check."

Wearing full combat gear, Winch made the announcement of his donation to an emotional response. "Everybody was clapping and cheering," she said. "Some of the parents actually started crying. It was pretty moving."

SHOCKINGLY SELFLESS

It was pretty incredible, too, according to Canton's John Savona, whose son Justin is on the Scotland-bound U12 team. "I think just having a soldier like that around (for the kids) was kind of a big deal," Savona said. "They don't have access to that, usually. And because it was Noah's uncle, that was pretty special."

"And of course, he caught all of us off guard by saying he wanted to help and he pulled out his checkbook and wrote a \$500 check. It kind of shocked all of us."

Savona added that he is a military veteran himself, "and I know when you are serving the country they take care of you very well. But you don't get paid very much to do it."

Please see **CELTIC, B3**

Wildcats answer bell, win 2-1

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth played with a bit more purpose to open Tuesday's KLA South boys soccer match against Livonia Churchill and it paid off with an early lead and eventual 2-1 triumph.

The host Wildcats (8-3-3 overall, 5-2-0 in the South) never trailed, although the Chargers briefly evened things at 1-1 on a first-half goal by junior forward Allen Woodruff.

But Plymouth sophomore Do-Hyung Kim converted the winning goal with less than four minutes to go in the half and the Chargers — despite spurts of offensive pressure down the stretch — just could not score the equalizer.

"They're a tough club. They got us last time we played them," Wildcats head coach Jeff Neschich said. "It was good to come out on top tonight."

He explained his team was quick and on the ball much of

the night.

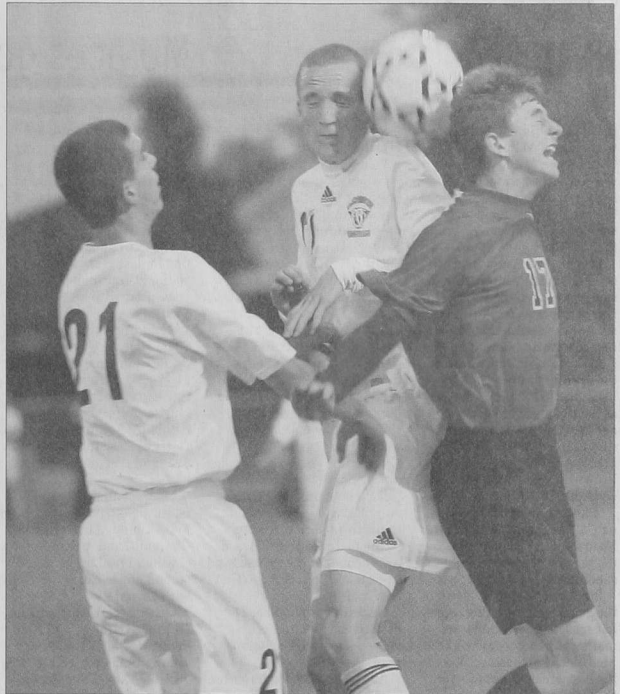
"I think the key was keeping the pace a little faster," Neschich said. "I think we had a little more pace on them and we could control the ball better."

"Our possession was very good tonight and we were pretty solid in the back."

FALLING BEHIND

Lamenting his squad's slow start and inability to finish late was Churchill head coach Reid Friedrichs.

"This conference begins when the whistle starts and they should know that by now," Friedrichs said, stress-



Battling for a 50/50 ball Tuesday night are Plymouth's Zachary D'Agostino (No. 21), Joe Klonowski (middle) and Livonia Churchill's Austin Henson (No. 17).

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ing that although his team turned on the offensive jets in the second half, it's never a good game plan to fall behind. "When you come out in the first half like we did, in the second half you're just fighting from behind to cre-

ate things when you're losing." Playing well in the second half for the Wildcats was junior goalkeeper Rene Mejia (senior Kyle Brindza played the first 40 minutes) to frustrate Churchill (7-6-1, 5-2-1). Mejia raced out to cut off

Churchill's streaking junior midfielder Evan Schweitzer to stop a rush with about 33 minutes left. He also managed to get a hand on a high, hard blast taken by junior

Please see **WILDCATS, B3**

Top line powers Whalers in home opener

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Tyler Brown is on a mission as he opens the 2010-11 season with the Plymouth Whalers. Brown, 20, is fully aware he has the Pittsburgh Penguins' full attention after an impressive stint at the NHL team's rookie tournament and main training camp.

But who could blame Brown, who lives with a billet family in Canton, if he might decide he's having too much fun to want to leave should the Penguins or any other team come calling with a contract offer.

On Saturday at Compuware Arena, Plymouth's top forward line of Brown, new center Alex Aleardi (Farmington Hills) and right wing Garrett Meurs were dangerous right from the start as the Whalers opened the home schedule with a 6-2 romp over Barrie.

The win was a needed tonic for head coach Mike Vellucci and his players, who lost tough road games against Windsor and London to open the schedule.

"I thought we played pretty good," said Vellucci, following a postgame chat in his office with Whalers owner Peter Karmanos. "After three games guys are tired. I rode that top line quite a bit but they deserved it. They played really well."

Vellucci said one of the things Karmanos spotted about this year's team



RENA LAVERTY

Celebrating his first three goals Saturday night at Compuware Arena is Plymouth Whalers center Alex Aleardi (behind net) of Farmington Hills. At left is linemate Tyler Brown (No. 12).

is how fast and dangerous it can be. Plymouth (1-1-0-1, three points) outshot Barrie 45-21 and scored two goals in each frame against goalkeeper Peter DiSalvo.

"I thought the speed was awesome, we put so much pressure on their 'D' that

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 North Farmington (1-4, 1-4) at Berkley (5-0, 4-0), 7 p.m.
 Plymouth Salem (0-5, 0-3) at South Lyon East (1-4, 0-3), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Churchill (2-3, 1-2) at Canton (5-0, 4-0), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Franklin (3-2, 1-2) at Wayne (0-5, 0-3), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Stevenson (2-3, 1-2) at Northville (5-0, 3-0), 7 p.m.
 Lutheran Westland (0-5, 0-3) at Southfield Christian (0-5, 0-3), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Clarenceville (3-2, 1-0) at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (0-5, 0-3), 7 p.m.
 Dearborn Heights Robichaud (2-3, 2-1) at Redford Thurston (4-1, 3-2), 7 p.m.
 Garden City (0-5, 0-3) at Dearborn Heights Annapolis (2-3, 1-2), 7 p.m.
 Redford Union (1-4, 1-2) at Dearborn Heights Crestwood (2-3, 1-2), 7 p.m.
 Westland John Glenn (2-3, 1-2) at Plymouth (4-1, 3-0), 7 p.m.
 Plymouth Christian (0-4) at Saginaw Buena Vista (2-3), 7 p.m.

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58-13 (.817)

Dan O'Meara

Farmington
 Harrison
 Berkley
 East
 Canton
 Franklin
 Northville
 Christian
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 Thurston
 Annapolis
 Crestwood
 Plymouth
 Buena Vista
10-3 (.769)
59-12 (.831)

Tim Smith

Farmington
 Harrison
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 Thurston
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 Plymouth
 Buena Vista
9-4 (.692)
44-27 (.620)

Jim Toth

Farmington
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10-3 (.769)
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Salem's varsity boys tennis team again was 'Rocks solid' Saturday at the Woodhaven Warrior Classic Invitational, capturing first place out of seven teams with 20 points.

WHALERS

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they had no time to react, none whatsoever," Vellucci said. "Our owner, Mr. Karmanos, was just sitting in there talking about our speed, he noticed this is a very fast team and we're going to have to utilize that."

Brown — a Plymouth over-age player (20) who could still sign a free-agent NHL contract for this season — jumped started the dominant performance with an even-strength goal at the 12-minute mark of the opening frame.

He hustled to get to the puck at the right side of Barrie's net and flipped in a wraparound shot in for his second goal in Plymouth's first three games. Brown only scored 14 goals in 66 games in 2009-10.

"I just wanted to throw it on net," Brown said. "I know both Meurs and Alardi are crashing the net so I just thought shoot it and see what happens."

But Alardi was the player of the game, scoring a three-goal hat-trick to give him seven markers already. Meanwhile, Meurs collected an assist, and the line wreaked havoc against the Colts, playing their first game of the season.

"It's a great feeling," said Alardi about playing in his backyard after a recent trade from Belleville. "It feels good

to be home, seeing all my family and friends. And this is a great group of guys here, they pass the puck well and I got three goals so I feel great."

FITTING RIGHT IN

Vellucci chuckled when talking about how quickly Alardi has meshed with the Whalers — a welcome sight indeed due to the team still being without No. 2 NHL draft pick Tyler Seguin, Robbie Czarnik and James Livingston (all with NHL teams or their affiliates at camp).

"He was even better the first two (games) than he was tonight, if you can imagine that," Vellucci said. "We were very fortunate to pick him up, but it is early. It's only three games, but he's played very well in those three."

The game also was a big one for Plymouth forward Peter Neal, who scored his first-ever OHL goal with 5:19 left in the third period, assisted by linemates Mitchell Heard (who scored in the second) and 16-year-old Tom Wilson (first OHL point).

Neal swept in and backhanded the rebound of a Wilson shot into the Barrie cage.

Also helping Plymouth's offense were Livonia's Austin Mattson, newcomer Rickard Rakell (each with two assists), Farmington Hills' Austin Levi, captain Beau Schmitz (Howell) and Jamie Devane (one assist each).

MU aces golf Jamboree

The Madonna University men's golf team continued its strong fall showing by tying for first place in Monday's Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Jamboree No. 3 tournament held at Quail Ridge Golf Club in Grand Rapids.

The Crusaders, who qualified for last year's NAIA National Tournament, tied Davenport with a 13-over 301 each.

Rounding out the field was Siena Heights University, led by individual medalist Andy Myers (Westland John Glenn), third, 310; Cornerstone, fourth, 316; Indiana Tech, fifth, 318; Aquinas, sixth, 319; Northwestern Ohio, seventh, 322; and Concordia, eighth, 379.

Myers shot an even-par 72 on the 6,938-yard layout, while MU's Tommy Lucko (Livonia Churchill) and Austin Stillman (Livonia Franklin) finished second and third, respectively, with 73 and 74.

Other MU finishers included Vince Carango and Nick Sears, tied for 11th, 77 each; Jimmy Uelman, tied for 14th, 78; and last year's NAIA National runner-up medalist Brett Quittiquit, tied for 34th, 83.

The Crusaders hold an 11-stroke overall advantage heading into this weekend's final

WHAC Jamboree hosted by Siena Heights at Tecumseh Country Club.

MEN'S COLLEGE GOLF RESULTS

WHAC JAMBOREE No. 2

Sept. 25 at Fellows Creek (Canton)

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Madonna

University, 292 strokes (4-over); 2. Indiana Tech, 305.3; Davenport, 307.4; Siena Heights, 309.5; (tie) Aquinas and Cornerstone, 310 each; 7. Northwestern Ohio, 319; 8. Concordia, did not finish.
Individual medalist: Vince Carango (Madonna), 71.
Other MU finishers: 3. (tie) Austin Stillman (Livonia Franklin), 72; 6. Jimmy Uelman, 73; 11. (tie) Nick Sears, 75; 16. (tie) Tommy Lucko (Livonia Churchill), 78; 20. (tie) Brett Quittiquit, 79.

Area players: 3. (tie) Andy Myers (Siena Heights/Westland John Glenn), 72

WOMEN'S COLLEGE GOLF RESULTS

OLIVET FALL INVITATIONAL

Sept. 24-25 at Medalist Golf Club

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Wheaton College (Ill.), 346-340 (-686); 2. Olivet, 342-345 (-687); 3. Otterbein College (Ohio), 357-339 (-696); 4. St. Francis (Ind.), 352-345 (-697); 5. Hope College, 358-346 (-704); 6. Madonna University, 374-345 (-719); 7. Trine University (Ind.), 368-362 (-730); 8. Albion College, 381-363 (-745); 9. Aquinas College, 382-363 (-745); 10. Calvin College, 404-382 (-786); 11. Rochester College, 408-401 (-809); 12. Kalamazoo College, 454-441 (-895).

Individual medalist: Caci Blanton

(Wheaton), 79-80-159

Madonn finishers: 12. Sara Simmitch, 85-

88-173; 14. (tie) Michelle Hall, 92-84-176; 30. (tie) Kaitlyn Brasher, 100-83-183; 38. Mariel Meyers (Livonia Franklin), 94-95-189; 36. Chelsea Bathurst (Livonia Stevenson), 97-

90-187; 41. (tie) Elena Thomas, 100-91-191; 56. (tie) Megan Fleischer, 105-101-206; 60. Caitlin Steele (Livonia/Dearborn Divine Child), 110-

103-213.

GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 190


CANTON 199

Sept. 27 at Hilltop G.C.

Churchill scorers: Jordyn Shepler, 44 (medalist); Jackie Burdette, 46; Maggie McGowan, 49; Lauren Saan, 51; Nicole Kruse, 55; Amy Mikula, 69.


Canton scorers: Paige Osler, 45; Kelsey McDougall, 46; Chloe Luyet, 51; Mary Elizabeth Winther, 57; Kaylie Lobb, 60; Ariel Alber, 61.

Dual match records: Churchill, 7-2 overall, 7-2 KLAAS South Division; Canton, 5-4 overall, 5-4 KLAAS South.




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Provided fundraising efforts are successful, the third Canton Soccer Club team to go to Scotland next year is the Canton Celtic U12 team coached by soccer club director Pete Alexander (back row). Here, the team celebrates after winning the Michigan Challenge Cup in Lansing.

CELTIC

FROM PAGE B1

Winch returned for his second stint at Iraq's Alpha Company Combat Support Hospital, where he is a combat nurse. He earned a Purple Heart his first go-around.

Rodriguez said Noah's uncle gave the youngsters more than a gift of money. What he did will forever be stamped on their hearts and minds.

"I think they really look at it as something special," she said. "Not every day you get somebody who's home from Iraq to come and visit, and peel off \$500 out of his money to donate to their fund so they can get to Scotland."

"He's already serving our country, and then to go ahead and give his own money that he's earned from being in the war to the kids, that's the least selfish thing that you can do."

SWEET PAYBACK

The soccer families did what they could to repay Winch for his generosity by packaging up 21 pounds of baked goods left over from a recent sale and shipping the cookies and cakes to him.

Savona said a care package is being put together for Winch, which will include T-shirts signed by all three teams, a Detroit Lions football (yes, Winch is a fan) and cases of Mountain Dew — a soft drink they apparently cannot get in Iraq.

As for coming up with enough money to fly the players over to Scotland (any coaches and parents who go on the trip will need to come up with their own money), Savona said some kind of auction event is in the works while businesses (and individuals) can sponsor the kids.

Details for a sponsorship program are still being firmed up, he noted.

"Businesses can sponsor and get a plaque or banner on back of the net," Savona explained. "If not, they can provide an auction item, we're looking to develop some kind of auction program."

WHAT A REWARD

Rodriguez stressed that the concept of traveling to Scotland to play soccer is something her son is crazy about.

"Noah's so pumped (about playing in Scotland)," she said. "He tells everybody and anybody he knows that he's going to Scotland."

More importantly, the kids are involved in helping with the fund-raising efforts. More than \$2,000 has been raised just from the bottle drive.

"It's a team-building thing, it also teaches them you have to work hard at the things you want to do," Rodriguez continued. "Those are good life lessons that they'll have,

forever. And the reward they get is huge, they get to go to Scotland."

Once the teams and their chaperones are in Scotland, during the 2011 spring break, they will compete in tournaments, train with professional soccer clubs, soak in the Scottish culture.

"I think we're going for seven days, over spring break, playing in tournaments, doing training with some of the clubs over there," Rodriguez said. "They're putting the agenda together. It's all very family-oriented, we're going to go sight-seeing and visit some historical sites that are in relation to soccer."

FUN AND GAMES

Actual soccer contests are only part of the fun awaiting the Canton teams.

"There's a lot of street-type soccer games that they do in Europe that we're not familiar with, fun things especially at this age," Savona said. "Like being able to control a ball and kick it into the back of a dump truck. ... They do a lot of that stuff in the streets, it's just a way of life there."

"It will give our boys a taste of why it's so much more popular in Europe than it is here."

Meanwhile, Savona emphasized that the forthcoming "Scotland Experience" wouldn't have been possible without Canton Soccer Club's invitation to the Woodwynd Wolves to compete at the Celtic Invitational.

"They played as part of a tournament and part of a brilliant effort to try and expand soccer here in the U.S. and get a little more excitement and gain that cross-country relationship with another club," Savona recalled.

He said the Wolves, who stayed in Canton at no cost, "wrote us a letter when they got back home" and invited the Canton Celtic teams to visit their country for a tournament.

"All of the boys are very excited," Savona said. "I don't know if any of these boys have been to Europe, so they're very excited about going there and they're very excited about playing somebody from another country."

Although Rodriguez will have to foot the bill herself to accompany Noah, she is just as excited to have a trip to Scotland on the horizon.

"I have never been overseas, I've never been to Europe," Rodriguez said. "This will be my first opportunity to go and I am just ecstatic that it's for my son (and) for his soccer."

"What more can a parent ask for?"

Chiefs roll to 12-0 mercy victory

Oh mercy, Canton really did it to Wayne Memorial Tuesday night.

Four goals by recent JV cal-lups Ryan Killgore (3 goals) and Cody Kahrs (1 goal) sparked a 12-0 rout, called at halftime because of the MHSAA mercy rule.

Also scoring for the Chiefs (11-2-2, 5-1-1 in the KLAAs) were senior Garrett Derian-Toth, juniors Shean Krolicki (2 goals), Bryan Ren (2 goals), junior Brian Berinti,

sophomore Bobby Budlong and sophomore Dan Ovesea.

Dividing the shutout were seniors Brandon Laabs and Garren Carr.

Collecting two assists each were Berinti and Budlong, with single helpers by Derian-Toth, junior Steven Murphy (also his first varsity point after being called up from JV), Ovesea, freshman Griffin Parks, juniors Tyler Winningham and Neil Zech.

PCA 2, LUTHERAN WESTLAND

1: Alex Chapman scored with a few minutes left in Thursday afternoon's game to lift host Plymouth Christian Academy to a 2-1 victory over Lutheran Westland in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference boys soccer matchup.

The Eagles (6-4 overall, 4-3 in the tough MIAC Blue) led 1-0 in the first half on a goal by Chapman, who fielded a long clearing ball from PCA goalie Jayme Putney and went all the

way down the pitch to place a shot past Warriors keeper Marc Rosin.

Lutheran Westland then evened things up early in the second half on a well-executed crossing play, but that only set the stage for the late excitement.

PCA captain Travis Dekruyter threw the ball in, leading to a flick by junior Dan Mullett. The ball then bounced over to where Chapman could rip it home.

WILDCATS

FROM PAGE B1

forward Jeffrey Thomas from about 20 yards in front.

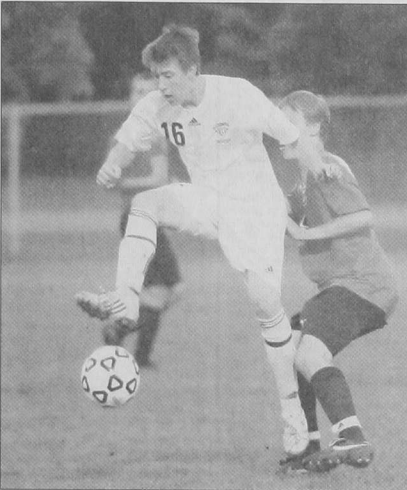
"He (Mejia) had to come up with a couple big ones," Neschich said. "They got a little bit of pressure there on us for a while."

HELPING OUT

Mejia had a lot of help from his friends, clearing loose balls out of danger areas away from dangerous Chargers such as Thomas and senior midfielder Stephen Foster (who set up Woodruff's goal).

"They had four forwards at the end and coach just told me to drop back on center-D and I just got physical back there," said senior midfielder Joe Klonowski, one of the all-around standouts for Plymouth. "We had a disappointing effort against Canton (a 3-1 loss last Thursday), so we were just looking to turn it around against Churchill."

Klonowski, senior Andrew Yoder and senior Mitch Waugh were all in the defensive mix with less than three minutes to go and Churchill threatening to tie the score off a corner kick.



Maintaining sharp focus on the ball is Plymouth's Derek Austin (No. 16), with Livonia Churchill's Alex Jones (right) closing in.

Somehow, the Wildcats teamed up to keep the ball out of the goal and that pretty much locked up the victory.

"I saw it bounce right on the goal line," Klonowski said. "So I just tried to scissor it and I

hit one of our own guys and then I turned around and the ball was out."

That sequence summed up the night for the Chargers.

"We created a lot of opportunities, a lot of restarts. The

ball was bouncing in the box all over," Friedrichs said. "We just needed someone to put a foot on it and we're always just a second behind."

OPPORTUNISTIC

The Wildcats took a 1-0 lead about 15 minutes into the match, when Klonowski set up senior forward Derek Austin for a nifty goal against Churchill junior goalkeeper Bryan Bartig.

Woodruff netted the equalizer around the 30th minute, but Plymouth chipped in the lead goal off of a scrum and never looked back.

On the winner, Bartig came out for the ball, but slipped and injured an ankle in the process, leaving the goal wide-open.

"He (Bartig) just slipped, rolled his ankle as he slipped and their guy (Kim), with him on the ground, headed it in," Friedrichs said. "It was unfortunate."

The Chargers brought in junior goalkeeper Mario Canestraro to finish up the half. Canestraro played another five minutes in the second half, grabbing a low, hard shot by junior Rob Korstjens, before Bartig was able to return.

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Salem divides and (almost) conquers at invites

Members of Salem's girls cross country team competed Saturday at two invitationals, with the Rocks having solid showings both places.

The "A" team placed fifth at the Jackson Invitational, with 137 points. Meanwhile, the Salem "B" team came in second at the Catholic Central Invitational, held at Cass Benton Park.

At Sharp Park in Jackson, Salem freshman standout Kayla Kavulich came in fourth overall with a time of 18-minutes, 51.6 seconds to pace the Rocks.

She was followed by Victoria Tripp (15th, 19:16.6), Shannon Flynn (31st, 19:51.2), Adrianna Beltran (35th, 20:00), Kara Booms (52nd, 20:19.1), Amanda Beyer (85th, 20:56.8) and Autumn Burin (104th, 21:24.8).

Meanwhile, the "B" team (2nd with 69 points, trailing Grosse Pointe South's 32-point tally) featured Emily Bizon (8th, 20:47), Alejandra Beltran (9th, 21:05), Madison Goodpasture (10th, 21:07), Natasha Stevenson (16th, 21:42), Phoebe VanHoof (26th, 22:54), Adelaida Jepperson

(33rd, 22:57), Mariam Mroueh (34th, 23:10) and Emily Marcero (3-JV, 22:30).

Canton girls fifth

Sparked by Bianca Kubicki's fourth-place finish of 19-minutes, .08-seconds, the Canton girls cross country team placed fifth out of 14 teams at Saturday's Monroe Jefferson Invitational.

Kubicki wasn't too far behind the overall winner, Livonia Franklin's Megan McPherson (18:29).

Other Chiefs to finish on

a windy day were Rachel Rohrabg (17th, 20:10); Abigail Gorzalski (32nd, 21:00), Emily Southern (37th, 21:22), Jessica Siegler (39th, 21:28), Katie Grimes (42nd, 21:41) and Chelsea Smith (51st, 22:24).

"Despite the tough conditions, the girls performed really well," said Canton head coach Eric Pahl. "It was very windy but still they posted some fast times."

"When I looked at the results, I couldn't believe how fast we ran."

PREP CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

GIRLS DUAL MEET RESULTS
LIVONIA FRANKLIN 21, PLYMOUTH 39
Sept. 28 at Cass Benton Park
Individual winner: Megan McPherson (Franklin), 19:38.

Other Franklin finishers: 2: Leslie Gomez, 20:22; 5: Megan Wickens, 21:7; 6: Pia Klein, 21:24; 7: Tiffany Lambie, 21:47; 8: Kelly Walby, 21:57; 10: Madeline Herman, 22:19.
Plymouth finishers: 3: Nicole Traites, 20:50; 4: Brianna Lax, 20:52; 9: Marina Olibase, 22:14; 11: Julie Hahn, 22:28; 12: Jessica Scarpello, 22:56; 13: C. Manetta, 23:02; 14: Sophie Roberts, 23:03.

Dual meet records: Franklin, 21 overall; 21:KLAA South Division; Plymouth, 21 overall; 21:KLAA South.

SALEM 20, LIVONIA STEVENSON 43
Sept. 28 at Cass Benton Park
Individual winner: Karlie Gallagher (Stevenson), 20:25 (5,000 meters).
Salem finishers: 3: Alejandra Beltran, 20:30; 3: Emily Bizon, 20:50; 4: Shannon Flynn, 20:53; 5: Kayla Kavulich, 20:53; 6: Amanda Beyer, 21:27; 7: Autumn Burin, 21:15; 8: Adriana Beltran, 21:21.

Other Stevenson finishers: 9: Allison Gudeman, 21:22; 11: Taylor Cieslak, 21:28; 12: Meghan Gilson, 21:36; 14: Barbara Scuphump, 22:05; 15: Michelle Krawczyk, 22:11; 16: Sofia Lynch, 22:18.

Dual meet records: Salem, 3-0 overall; 3-0 KLAA Central Division; Stevenson, 0-3 overall; 0-3 KLAA Central.

BOYS DUAL MEET RESULTS

CANTON 27, LIVONIA CHURCHILL 29

Sept. 28 at Cass Benton Park
Individual winner: Mitch Clinton (Canton), 17:14 (5,000 meters).
Other Canton finishers: 2: Miles Fellen, 17:32; 3: Bradon Conley, 18:11; 4: Keegan Sullivan, 18:23; 11: Tom Walkinshaw, 18:33; 12: Zach Cox, 18:40; 14: Jeff Molchan, 18:54.
Churchill finishers: 3: Tom Windle, 17:43; 7: Ryan Wise, 17:56; 8: Sam Yurill, 18:16; 7: George Bowles, 18:20; 9: Ben Yates, 18:26; 10: Cody Rossler, 18:26; 13: Stephen Charley, 18:43.

Dual meet records: Canton, 3-0 overall; 3-0 KLAA South Division; Churchill, 2-1 overall; 2-1 KLAA South.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 23, SALEM 39

Sept. 28 at Cass Benton Park
Individual winner: Steve McEvilly (Salem), 17:03 (5,000 meters).
Stevenson finishers: 2: Matt Williams, 17:05; 3: Joe Urso, 17:16; 5: John Lynch, 17:28; 6: Ryan Petru, 17:37; 7: Adam Chludzinski, 17:37; 9: Jeffrey MacDonald, 18:10; 10: Stephen Fench, 18:12.

Other Salem finishers: 4: Andy Rabe, 17:19; 8: Michael Karitz, 17:37; 12: Jeremy

Drouillard, 18:19; 15: Tom Patterson, 18:38; 16: Mason Mills, 18:39; 17: Alex Creekmore, 18:39; 18: Evan Bruyere, 18:50.

Dual meet records: Stevenson, 2-1 overall; 2-1 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 1-2 overall; 1-2 KLAA Central.

PLYMOUTH 16, LIVONIA FRANKLIN 41

Sept. 28 at Cass Benton Park
Individual winner: Joe Porcari (Plymouth), 16:53 (5,000 meters).
Other Plymouth finishers: 2: Derek Gielarowski, 17:04; 4: Brandon Dalton, 17:54; 5: Jimmy Macag, 17:57; 6: Justin Heck, 18:03; 7: Garrett Neumann, 18:25; 8: Liam Cardenas, 18:26.

Franklin finishers: 3: Austin Jones, 17:28; 8: Mike Witt, 17:14; 9: Josh Beesmer, 19:48; 10: Gabe Martinez, 20:07; 11: Chad Walters, 20:39.

Dual meet records: Plymouth, 3-0 overall; 3-0 KLAA South Division; Franklin, 7-3 overall; 0-3 KLAA South.

MONROE JEFFERSON INVITATIONAL

CROSS COUNTRY MEET

Sept. 25 at Sterling State Park

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1: Brighton, 27 points; 2: Canton, 83; 3: Livonia Churchill, 105; 4: Ann Arbor Huron, 118; 5: Monroe, 119; 6: Belleville, 133; 7: Livonia Franklin, 213; 8: Ypsilanti Lincoln, 215; 9: Allen Park, 217; 10: Southgate Anderson, 228; 11: Wayne

Memorial, no team score.

Individual winner: Austin Whitelaw (Monroe), 15 minutes; 27 seconds (5,000 meters).

Canton finishers: 5: Miles Fellen, 15:48; 6: Mitch Clinton, 16:59; 6: Braden Coyle, 17:09; 7: Keegan Sullivan, 17:58; 6: Tom Walkinshaw, 18:01; 9: Kurt Kowalski, 18:16.

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1: Brighton, 40 points; 2: Livonia Churchill, 76; 3: Livonia Franklin, 80; 4: Monroe, 113; 5: Canton, 129; 6: Saline (B), 149; 7: Plymouth, 150; 8: Ypsilanti Lincoln, 215; 9: Allen Park, 242; 10: Belleville, 298; 11: Taylor Kennedy, 348; 12: (tie) Romulus and Wayne Memorial, no team score.

Individual winner: Megan McPherson (Franklin), 18:29 (School record).

Canton finishers: 4: Bianca Kubicki, 19:08; 45: Rachel Rohrabg, 20:13; 32: Abigail Gorzalski, 21:00; 15: 37: Emily Southern, 21:22; 51: 39: Jessica Siegler, 21:28; 47: 42: Katie Grimes, 21:42; 51: Chelsea Smith, 22:24.

Plymouth finishers: 8: Brianna Lax, 19:46; 04: 12: Nicole Traites, 19:59; 44: 34: Sophie Roberts, 21:08; 82: 46: Julie Hahn, 22:02; 88: 50: Elyse Grynewicz, 22:20; 91: 57: Jessica Scarpello, 22:41; 70: Dana Rebar, 22:48; 56.

Plymouth clicks in four-game win

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It took a while, but Plymouth volleyball coach Kelly McCausland gave her team full marks for a complete performance with Tuesday's 3-1 victory over KLAA South rival Westland Lion Glenn.

The visiting Wildcats (10-4-1 overall, 2-1 South) rolled to 25-13 and 25-18 wins in the first two games, dropped the third game 21-25 and came back to clinch with a 25-19 triumph in Game 4.

"We finally played outstanding volleyball tonight with all cylinders running together," McCausland said. "Everything was finally clicking like we have been waiting for all season."

"I am so proud of our back court play tonight. Our passing

and defense led to an aggressive offensive night."

The sparkplug was Kayla Bridge, who "was on absolute fire tonight both offensively and defensively," the coach noted.

Bridge led the Wildcats to victory with 19 kills, 24 defensive digs and a 100-percent passing rate.

Jessica Scott also was stellar with 35 assists and a perfect night in the serving department.

"She continued to get the ball to our hot hitters all night," McCausland said.

Those would include Dani Risi (14 kills) and Madelyn Betts (8 kills).

Adding 24 digs with a hard-nosed game was Mariah Tesarz.

Plymouth Christian Academy warmed up for a big division showdown by defeating a pair of opponents in a tri-match Tuesday at Whitmore Lake.

The Eagles — with standout middle hitter Kristin Malcolm back in the lineup after recovering from an injury — defeated Whitmore Lake 25-16, 24-26, 15-10 and followed up with a 16-25, 25-13, 15-13 win over Detroit Country Day.

Malcolm had 11 kills and three blocks against Whitmore Lake, her first game back.

Other PCA standouts included outside hitter Amy Zinn (11 service points, 6 digs), setter Brianna Harris

(21 assists), libero Abby Bartes (11 service points) and middle blocker Folake Olojo (7 kills).

Against the Yellow Jackets, Malcolm fared just as well with 11 kills and 11 digs. Harris (21 assists), Bartes (10 digs), Olojo (9 kills) and Jessica Rich (10 service points), including eight consecutively in the key Game 2) also were key players for PCA.

Next up for the Eagles is Thursday night's Michigan Independent Athletic Conference showdown against Lutheran Westland.

Salem swoops

Every player contributed to Salem's 25-12, 25-15, 25-

12 victory last Thursday over South Lyon East.

Kerry MacDonald (18 assists), Quinn Fillingim (10 assists), Nicole Merritt (11 kills, 4 aces, 5 digs), Bree Berberet (3-for-3 in kills), Kara Hewett (2 kills, 1 ace) and Katie Heintmeyer (4 digs) all were instrumental to the win.

Chiefs win silver

Canton head coach Mary Kryszak said her team was inconsistent at Saturday's Bedford Invitational. But the Chiefs, after going 1-3 in pool play, turned it around to capture the silver bracket thanks to a 25-20, 25-18 win over Bedford.

The Chiefs defeated

Pinckney (19-25, 25-22, 15-10) and Livonia Stevenson (25-20, 25-20) earlier in the bracket.

The lone win in pool play was against Grand Ledge, 25-20, 19-25, 15-11. Following that were defeats to Carleton Airport (19-25, 25-21, 8-15), North Farmington (19-25, 23-25) and Stevenson (25-22, 21-25, 15-17).

Statistical leaders for Canton included Alaina Turner (54 kills, 18 blocks, 6 aces), Kristen Muir (38 kills, 88 digs, 6 aces), Erica denBoer (25 kills, 75 digs, 6 aces), Maggie Deloy (21 kills), Jackie Waite (67 assists, 31 digs, 7 aces), Lauren Martin (56 assists, 30 digs, 9 aces), Alex Bryden (30 digs, 4 aces) and Laura Fcasini (27 digs,

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BARBARA ANN DOWELL

Age 63 died Sept. 27, 2010 at Providence Hospital after a brave 17 month battle with cancer. Preceded in death by husband Larry and parents Ralph Wineman and Margaret Cowley. Barbara retired from Farmington Public Schools, where she worked for 27 years. Born in Yonkers, NY April 27, 1947 but moved to Michigan as a young child where she resided in Detroit all her life. Survived by son Brian (Carmen) Boyd of Livonia, Mark Dowell of Novi, grandchildren Jordan and Matthew, Jackie & Christopher, Sister Carole Layne of Livonia, special nieces Colleen (Jason), Lauren & Ashley Bragaglia of Secaucus, N.J., nephew Timmy Ray of Novi, Uncle Tom Stanley of Indianapolis, IN and many other family and friends who will greatly miss her, especially Linda Hogan who was a dear lifelong caring friend. Visitation Thursday 3-5pm, service Friday at 11:30am at Charles Step Funeral Home, 18425 Beech Dale, between 6 & 7 Mile Rds.



GEORGE ROMEO HAMEL

Age 91, September 22, 2010 Loving husband of Margaret (Haggerty) Hamel of 64 years, brother of Leo (Wanda) Hamel (age 98) & his current 22 direct descendants: His five children Patricia (Robert) Nakoneczny, Larry (Lynette) Hamel, Diane (Dave) Wallen, Kenneth (Deborah) Hamel & Colleen (George) Siroonian; his 15 grandchildren Carrie (Jason), Matt (Danae), Dan, Greg, Nick, Brian, Christopher, Jeff, Megan, Kellie, Michael, Brett, Griffin, Katie & David; and was "Grandpa George" to his great granddaughters Madeline & Natalie. He was "Uncle George" to the children of his best friend Jim Feeny and Margaret's twin sister Marion; Jim (Kathy) Feeny, their children Jennifer, Molly, James & Katie; Kathleen (Steve) Goch, their children Alex & Annelese; Nancy (Rick) Gorton, their children Michelle, Nick & Colleen; Daniel (Teri) Feeny, their children Maureen, Bridget, Colleen & Tim; Bob (Maribeth) Feeny, their children Brian, Patrick & Kevin. George R. Hamel was youngest of 17 children born to Azarie & Emma Hamel in Port Arthur, Canada on November 22nd 1918. Since then the number 22 has followed him throughout the years: born on November 22nd, became a U.S. Citizen on May 22nd, inducted into the Army on September 22nd, wounded in the Battle of the River Roer on February 22nd and received the Purple Heart, discharged on January 22nd, on June 22nd married his sweetheart Margaret (born March 22nd), retired on December 22nd and on September 22nd with a chuckle, he left to watch over his 22 descendants, extended family and friends who dearly loved him. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, October 2nd at 10:00 a.m. at Church of the Holy Family Catholic Church, 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, just north of 10 Mile Rd. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: The Autism Society, 4340 East West Hwy., Suite 350, Bethesda, MD 20814 or online at: www.autism-society.org



These good folks participated in last fall's Plymouth-Canton CROP Walk.

CROP walkers fight hunger one step at a time

BY JULIE BROWN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Local businesses have stepped up in support of this year's Plymouth-Canton CROP Hunger Walk.

Barb Fichtenberg of Canton, CROP Walk coordinator, lists Community Financial Credit Union, Hiller's Markets and the Canton dental practice of Drs. Pinkney, Greenbaum, MacFarland and Timprer as supporters. Holiday Market of Canton will provide bottled water for the Sunday, Oct. 17, benefit, which will begin at St. John's Episcopal Church on Sheldon in Plymouth Township.

Organizers appreciate that business support, which has made possible special event T-shirts to mark the 20th Plymouth-Canton CROP Walk.

"I think there may have been a year or two we missed in there," said Fichtenberg, a Garden City Hospital staffer. This year's event adds up to the 20th. There's another local CROP Walk, Livonia's, taking place Sunday, Oct. 3.

Registration for Plymouth-Canton will begin at 1:30 p.m. with the walk starting at 2 p.m. Walkers are being recruited from Plymouth-Canton churches.

This year's congregations include First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, Geneva Presbyterian Church of Canton, St. John's Episcopal, Praise Baptist Church of Plymouth, the Plymouth-Canton Salvation Army, Living Peace of Canton — which meets at Field Elementary School — and First United Methodist of Plymouth.

Last year's Plymouth-Canton walk raised just over \$7,000.

"I think last year the economy affected the walk," Fichtenberg said. "We're hop-

ing this year things are getting a little better."

LIVONIA WALK

The 27th annual Livonia Area (Livonia and Garden City) CROP Walk will be held on Sunday, Oct. 3, from Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church in Livonia. Registration is at 1:30 p.m. and the send-off celebration and walk at 2 p.m. Participants can walk the two-, four- or six-mile route. Those with mobility problems can do the short walk in the park.

Livonia organizers expect about 250 walkers from about 20 churches from Livonia and Garden City. Their goal is to raise \$30,000 for the fight against hunger. Last year, they raised over \$23,000 with one-quarter of that money going to local food banks in Livonia, Garden City, Redford and Detroit. Contact John Hirtzel at (248) 477-5181 for further information or pledge sheets.

That walk can also be accessed through cropwalkonline.org, which has walks throughout Michigan listed.

WORLD, U.S. RELIEF

Of Plymouth-Canton proceeds, 75 percent will go to Church World Service (www.churchworldservice.org) which provides disaster relief, humanitarian assistance and development work worldwide. The remaining 25 percent will go to the Salvation Army locally, which serves Belleville and Northville in addition to Plymouth and Canton.

Walkers will raise pledges and walk either two or four miles. The Salvation Army locally received almost \$1,800 last year from the event, assisting 2,452 people from 669 families.

"Everybody is very supportive of

the Salvation Army and their work," Fichtenberg said, adding organizers are pleased the Army's involved in planning and participation. Church World Service appeals to walkers and donors as well, giving money both overseas for projects like helping with recent Pakistan flooding, as well as U.S. relief.

"It's a community event and churches are working together," she said. "A lot of people are aware of it."

The name now is CROP Hunger Walk with a new logo, to help people who didn't know the acronym of Communities Responding To Overcome Poverty.

Three participating churches, Geneva, Living Peace and St. John's Episcopal, also supported the T-shirt project, Fichtenberg said.

There's "Walking on the Web" information at www.cropwalkonline.org, in that participants can pick Michigan and then their local walk, signing up as an individual or team. For information on the Plymouth-Canton walk, call Fichtenberg at (734) 981-4205.

The Salvation Army will provide a canteen on walk day, she said, and can transport anyone who gets tired walking. The walk has been held in Canton in the past, but in Plymouth in recent years.

"We get more visibility walking through the city," Fichtenberg said. "The Canton walkers don't mind going to Plymouth."

This year's goal is to have 120 walkers, who are encouraged to raise \$100 each. "Basically we just want to increase our walkers and our total amount," she said. "I'm sure we will do that."

Strollers and wagons are welcome at the Plymouth-Canton walk, but organizers ask participants to leave bicycles and Rollerblades at home.

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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



Compuware Arena draws large crowds for Plymouth Whalers games, and also offers a restaurant and drive-in movie theaters.

Compuware becomes entertainment mecca

Observer: Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature?

Whalers/Compuware: The Plymouth Whalers play in the Ontario Hockey League, which is the highest talent level of hockey players in the world in the age group of 16-20. The Whalers have made the playoffs 19 straight seasons, which is a current OHL record. The reputation of the Whalers is the team never rebuilds, but reloads.

The Whalers are one of the most active teams in the Canadian Hockey league in terms of community involvement. As a result, the local community has embraced this team. It seems that nearly every player on the team has his own cheering section, because they've connected in one way or another with someone in the community.

The Compuware Arena Drive-In Movie Theatres run in the summer months and has developed its own following. Drive-in movie patrons are as passionate about the drive-in as Whalers fans are about their hockey team.

CJ's Brewing Company is the restaurant located at Compuware Arena. Like the Whalers and the Drive In, CJ's has developed its own passionate following. CJ's is packed before, during and after Whalers games and has started gathering crowds for other events like Motor City Trivia on Thursday evenings.

Compuware Arena also hosts high school and college graduations, Detroit-Novi Catholic Central hockey, the Michigan Boys State High School Hockey finals, Compuware AAA hockey, concerts, Fox Sports Net/Gatorade Replay, chamber events, figure skating shows, boxing and wrestling events and was the home of the Detroit Ignition of the Major Indoor Soccer League.

Observer: How did you first decide to open your business?

Whalers/Compuware: Compuware CEO and Whalers owner Peter Karmanos wanted to build a clean, first-class facility for the Whalers.



Compuware Arena also hosts graduation ceremonies, like this one for Schoolcraft College.

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Observer: Why did you choose Plymouth?

Whalers/Compuware: Centrally located and excellent area.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Whalers/Compuware: Compuware Arena is a place where people can have fun, follow their passions (hockey, figure skating, etc.) and enjoy themselves. Something is happening here pretty much seven days a week.

Observer: How has it changed since you opened?

Whalers/Compuware: With the opening of the restaurant and the drive-in - and the willingness to bring in other events - Compuware Arena is much more than a hockey arena.

Observer: Do you have a funny tidbit of story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?

Whalers/Compuware: We once had a marriage proposal during a Whalers game. The prospective bride accepted. We've had sellout crowds for the last two Division 1 high school hockey finals between Detroit-Novi Catholic Central and Howell, where people were lined up out the door trying to buy a ticket. You haven't lived until you've seen Mascot Madness during a Whalers game. Strange, but funny nonetheless. A number of years ago, we had the Green Men invade Compuware Arena during a Whalers playoff run. It started with one man dressed in green, then two and multiplied exponentially throughout the playoff run. We may have had as many as 20 Green Men by the second round of the playoffs. We had the Oscar Meyer Weiner Mobile visit Compuware Arena several years ago.

Observer: How has the recent economy affected your business?

Whalers/Compuware: Attendance was up 25 percent last season for the Whalers. Attendance was excellent for the high school hockey finals.

Observer: Do you have any advice for other small-business owners?

Whalers/Compuware: It's great to have fun when you work.

Observer: What's in store for you're the future of your business?

Whalers/Compuware: I think we'll continue to find ways to keep people coming to Compuware Arena.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Life Improvement contest

IKEA has launched the Life Improvement Sabbatical Contest offering one person the chance to win a year-long sabbatical (worth \$100,000) to advance a project that improves the life of others. Whether you'd like to volunteer at a homeless shelter to start a non-profit organization, this contest gives one winner the opportunity to pursue their passions, and share their experience with the world.

Through Nov. 8, those who are interested can submit their Life Improvement proposal online at www.thelifepimprovementproject.com. Five finalists will be chosen from submissions by a panel of judges, and announced on December 13, 2010.

The winner will be determined by public vote, and announced on January 31, 2011.

Art classes

Fall is almost here, the leaves will be turning soon, children are back in school and so are D&M Art Studios classes. This year the studio has established new times for the home school art classes: Monday 3-4:30 p.m. for ages 6 to 16, Thursday 1:30-3 p.m. for ages 11 to 16, and Friday 1-2:30 and 2:30-4 p.m. for ages 6 to 16. The preschool youth classes are held Tuesday, 1:30-2:30 p.m., for ages 3 to 6.

The studio offers new Fashion Design classes, held in three-week sessions. The first session of classes runs Thursdays, Oct. 7, 14, and 21 from 5:15-6:15 p.m. for first grade and up.

D&M Art Studios special Harvest Pumpkin Painting classes will be held in each class the week of Oct. 18-23.

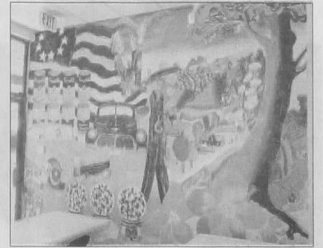
For more information, check out D&M's website at www.dmartstudios.com or call (734) 453-3710.

IEP workshop

Huntington Learning Center Canton presents a workshop on the IEP process 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 11 at its Canton location, 44630 Ford Road.

All interested parents are invited to attend. Admission is \$10 per person/family. All proceeds will go to the Liberty Kids charity. Liberty Kids is a Michigan non-profit charity aimed at helping children with Autism and other related challenges and disorders in making their needed therapy more affordable.

The workshop is designed to help people faced with an IEP meeting who are new to the



The Art Camp Exhibit at D&M Studios drew more than 400 art pieces.

process or who just need to learn more about the process, and give them a better understanding of the process and learn how to prepare for a more productive meeting with good results that your child deserves.

Staci Bockmann offers insight to help parents navigate the unknown world presented at the IEP meeting. She also offers tactics that encourage Educators and parents to become true partners with a common goal.

For more information, call (734) 207-7930.

Axis open house

Axis Music Academy, 42114 Ford Road in Canton, hosts its fall open house 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30.

One of the leading music instruction centers in Southeastern Michigan, the Axis Music Academy is opening its doors to the public to see its facilities and to have the opportunity to meet the musicians/instructors. The open house will feature live entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, sweepstakes, prizes and giveaways and free music mini-lessons.

Attendees who sign up for lesson packages at the event will leave with a free Fender guitar and amp pack, T-shirt or a free lesson.

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CHAMBER CHAT

Business awards

The Canton Chamber of Commerce hosts its 2010 Business Awards Luncheon Oct. 6, at 11:30 a.m. at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. The cost for lunch is \$20 (advance member registration) \$30 (Non-member) and includes a full buffet lunch, beverages and dessert. This luncheon is open to the public.

The October Luncheon will recognize the chamber's 2010 Chamber Business Anniversary Awards for 10, 25, 30 and 35 years, the Business Person of the Year and Ambassador of the Year Award.

"This is a very special luncheon," said chamber president Dianne Cojei. "It's the Chamber's opportunity to recognize the Business Community and the members who support the Canton Chamber of Commerce."

October's luncheon is hosted by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by: Event

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Arts fund-raiser

The Blackthorn, annual fund-raiser for the Partnership for Arts and Humanities takes place 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, in Canton.

The evening features a Celtic music performance from Blackthorn. Event proceeds benefit the Partnership, which provides financial support for the arts in the greater Canton community.

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Visit a working porcelain studio at artist's open house

BY SHARON DARGAY
OGE STAFF WRITER

Elizabeth Lurie exhibits art on her own terms and turf.

"I'm in a new place in my career where I'm cutting back on the places I am exhibiting. I'm producing less and I want to produce less, but I want to maintain my relationship with the community," said Lurie, a Farmington Hills ceramicist who works in porcelain. "I'm not as interested in maintaining relationships with galleries. It's not worth it in the present economic climate."

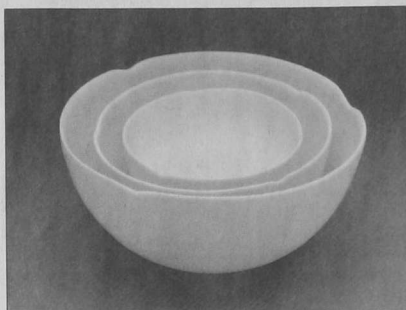
"I haven't done art fairs in 10 years except for Philly (Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show). But one thing I always enjoyed about art fairs was that I was able to talk to the public."

Feedback from art lovers was so important, that Lurie simply began to invite the public to her home studio a few years ago. Her annual studio open house is 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 9, at 29228 Summerwood, Farmington Hills; (248) 851-1732.

Home studio open houses aren't new, but Lurie says "not enough" local artists market their works that way. She prefers to bring people to her art because they get a chance to see a functioning ceramicist's work space.

"People love to come because they get to see where I work and then they can talk to me directly. I serve refreshments. They enjoy the whole atmosphere."

LARGE KILNS, STUDIO
Students from Oakland Community College and



Nesting bowls are among the ceramic works by Elizabeth Lurie of Farmington Hills.



An Elizabeth Lurie tea pot.

friends will assist with the show, freeing Lurie to talk with visitors.

The 800-square-foot studio includes a room for making pieces and glazing them and a kiln room for firing.

Last year Lurie bought two new large kilns — for the first time in 30 years — and

demonstrated firing. The equipment was so large she had to remove a garage wall for the installation.

"They are very large. I knew I wanted to start making larger pieces. For the Pewabic (Pottery) show in the spring I'll have large pieces."

MAJOR MUSEUMS

Lurie took her first ceramic class in the late 1960s at Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, before studying at Pewabic Pottery in downtown Detroit for three years. At Pewabic she experimented with glazes, salt firing, honed her skills on the wheel and tried porcelain for the first time. "Working in porcelain still intrigues me, still frustrates me and still fills me with wonder at times," she said.

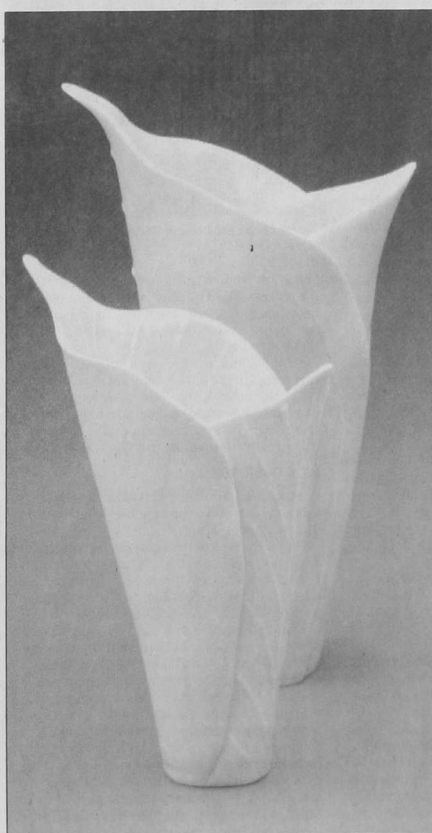
Her works are in permanent collections of major museums around the country, including the Detroit Institute of Art, and she has exhibited at The American Pottery Festival and the Smithsonian Craft Fair. In addition to her own open house, she'll participate in the Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show in November, an online show in March 2011 and the Pewabic Pottery show in May 2011.

She also plans a hands-on workshop for four participants in her home studio next year.

Lurie suggests that visitors check out her Web site, at www.elizabethlurie.com, before heading out to the open house.

"This is very important because my subdivision entrance is off Middlebelt, which is closed between 12 and 13 Mile Roads because of a major sewer collapse," she said.

The Web site has a map and alternative routes. She plans to update the site to adjust for changes in road closures the night before the event.



Elizabeth Lurie will open her home studio to the public Oct. 9. Visitors will see ceramics, such as these hosta vases.

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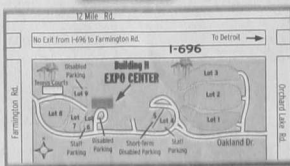
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Details: Ira Proctor, through Oct. 2; Steve Brewer, Oct. 6-9; Eddie Gossling, Oct. 13-16; Shang, Oct. 20-23; Angel Salazar, Oct. 27-30

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BENEFIT

Jam for a Cure

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1

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

Details: Trilogy Variety Band holds its 2nd Annual Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Benefit Concert "Jam For A Cure." The band will donate all proceeds to a local chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. It will play music of

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Contact: (734) 394-5400; www.cantonvillagetheater.org

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Location: Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit

Details: Allan Holdsworth, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1; tickets \$30 in advance or \$40 at the door

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Time/Date: 4 p.m., Oct. 9

Location: Louis Schmidt Auditorium, Clarenceville High School

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Details: Program includes Tchaikovsky, Mendelssohn, Beethoven and more; adults, \$20, students of any age, \$5 and senior citizens, 60 and over, \$18

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Time/Date: 8 p.m., Oct. 7-9

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Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15

Location: 5200 Woodward Ave

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Tommy Wiaduck, Noah Gould and Jimmy Wiaduck stand with Paws before the Sunday, May 2, 2010 Tigers game. Tommy of Highland Township won the tickets for his award-winning essay. For his 10th birthday, Tommy asked his guests to buy Cuddle Alert teddy bears instead of presents for him.



Ian Naccashian, 13, of Livonia attended the June 13 Tigers game. He attends Holmes Middle School in Livonia. As part of the Youth Makes a Difference program at his elementary school, he started collecting eyeglasses for the AAA Sight Night program at age six. During the 2009/2010 school year with the help of family, friends and his school community, Ian collected another 23 pairs of eyeglasses. Bringing his total collection to 488 pairs of eyeglasses.



Karlie Cummins, 12, of Farmington Hills is concerned about the environment and tries to make her school "a more eco-friendly place." She attended the July 11 Tigers game and met Paws. She attends O.E. Dunckel Middle School in the Farmington School District.

Adnan Alousi, 6, of Huntington Woods, was our first winner. He attended the April 11 Tigers game at Comerica Park. For his sixth birthday, Adnan had 25 friends bring baseball equipment instead of presents for him. He donated the equipment to the Tigers "Gloves for Kids" program.



Ryan Schmatz, 9, of Canton Township, was the August winner of the Observer Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers Paws for Applause Essay Contest, allowing him to meet Paws, the Detroit Tigers mascot, at the Aug. 22 game. Ryan attends Field Elementary School in the Plymouth-Canton Community School District. He likes to recycle paper, cans, plastic, cardboard, and glass at home and in his neighborhood.



Steven, 10, and Seta, 7, Hagopian of Commerce Township and formerly of Milford were winners of the Sept. 12 Tigers tickets. They attend Country Oaks Elementary School in the Huron Valley School District. They believe in helping family and community. They are members of St. John's Armenian Church in Southfield where they helped to raise money for the Gavor School in Armenia.

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Garage sale benefits Plymouth theater

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The more traditional garage sale runs 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 2, in its theater at 240 N. Main. The troupe will sell a variety of items, including furniture, a piano, electronics, decor, household items, clothing, books, toys, sporting goods and more. All proceeds benefit the theater.
The new twist to its fund-raiser is the "Reverse Garage Sale." The theater maintains an ongoing wish list of needed items and its members are asking supporters to consider donating. The full list is available on the Barefoot Productions Web site at www.justgobarefoot.com. It includes such items as 100 wine glasses, 150 mobile upholstered seats, a shop vac, table lamps and more.
All donations receive a tax-deductible receipt. Any unsold garage sale merchandise will be donated to a local charity.



Blackthorn will perform a benefit concert for Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, in Canton.

Concert benefits cultural arts in Canton

Blackthorn, a Michigan-based group known for Celtic music, will perform a benefit concert for the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, at Ridge Road, Canton.
Partnership for the Arts and Humanities is a non-profit organization that advocates for the arts and educates, encouraging the development of cultural arts in Canton. It also financially supports artists.
Blackthorn has played throughout the Great Lakes region since 1984. The group performs traditional songs of emigration, sea shanties, lively jigs and reels, and haunting ancient airs, along with some

of Ireland's best contemporary songs.
Each member of the band plays multiple instruments, including wooden flute, accordion, tin whistle, five string banjo, cittern, bones and more. These instruments complement the lead vocal of Belfast native Richard McMullan and the band's tight blend of four-part harmony.
Tickets are \$25, available online at www.cantonvillage.theater.org or by calling (734) 394-5300. For more information about the concert, call (734) 394-5460 or visit www.cantonvillage.theater.org or www.blackthorn1.com. To learn more about the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, visit partnership-forthearts.org



Opening night

The Plymouth Canton Symphony Orchestras begin its concert season with "Flute Fantastique," 7:30 p.m., Oct. 9, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, Cherry Hill and Ridge Road, Canton. The program features flutist Eric Lamp with Bernstein's Candide Overture, Lieberman's Concerto for Flute, and Symphonie Fantastique by Berlioz.
Subscriptions for five concerts are \$110 general admission, \$85 for senior citizens and \$40 for students. Individual concert tickets are \$25 general, \$20 for senior citizens and \$10 for students. For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.plymouthsymphony.com. Or call (734) 451-2112

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Auditions for the team are set for 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 5, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Potential Spare Tires must

be at least 18 years old.
The audition process will include registration, learning and performing dance moves, performing a special talent and personal interviews. Candidates can pre-register at Pistons.com. Walk-ins will get a chance to audition subject to time constraints. Candidates should enter through the West Atrium and will be directed to the registration area.
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Public service announcements sought for contest

Michigan high school students can compete to win gift cards in a student filmmaking competition sponsored by The Meijer Foundation, M.E. Davenport Foundation, The Van Singel Fine Arts Center and Celebration Cinema.

Contestants must submit a 30-second public service announcement promoting positive choices in the areas of character education, healthy lifestyles, and/or celebrating diversity. Students must target one of two audiences with their PSAs: Kindergarten through 6th grade or 7th through 12th grades. Deadline for submission is February 11, 2011 with a \$10 registration fee; or submit by January 14, 2011 and pay a \$5 registration fee. Students and their teachers can download registration materials and guidelines at meijergreatchoices.com.

Audio/visual students and professors from several Michigan universities are the preliminary judges and choose the finalists based on specific criteria. The top three winners from each category will receive prizes of \$2,000, \$1,000, or \$500 in the form of a gift card to their choice of Meijer, Apple, or Dell. Eighteen winners also will be chosen in first, second and third place.

More than \$20,000 in prizes will be awarded at a VIP ceremony and reception tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 4, 2011 at Celebration Cinema North in Grand Rapids.

The winning PSAs in each category will be reproduced on DVDs and distributed to schools across the state as tools for their character education, health education and diversity programs. DVD's also will be made available to all Meijer Stores for in-store airing, and to the media.

For complete details, guidelines, registration information, or to view the 2010 winning PSAs, go to www.meijergreatchoices.com.



Chainsaw artists will create works of art, like this bird, Oct. 9 in Canton.

Festival combines wood art and raku at recreation trail

Enjoy an afternoon of arts and eats from noon-4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 9, at the Chainsaw Art & Fall Festival, at the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail located off Morton Taylor Road at Michigan Avenue, in Canton.

Throughout the event, chainsaw artists will use their special talents turning logs into intricate sculptures. Popular carvings include totem poles, birds, bears, and other wildlife. Completed pieces will be available for purchase.

"These trails are the perfect location to showcase the unique art of chainsaw carving," stated Jon LaFever, recreation coordinator. "We've recently added a permanent wooden bench and

additional carvings along the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail to enhance these open spaces."

New this year, Raku artists will be on site demonstrating the ceramic glazing process that uses both fire and smoke to create exceptional patterns and designs.

Tim & Sally's Awesome Eats and Canton Coney Island will sell lunch items and Home Depot will provide a fun craft for kids to make and take home.

For more information about this family-friendly event visit Cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

Canton program marks Festival of Lights

Celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights, and the anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi's birth, Saturday, Oct. 2 at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill in Canton.

The theater will open at 6:30 p.m. and a program will begin at 7 p.m.

Canton Supervisor Phil Lajoy will kick off the event with a welcome and introduction. The

program will include songs, skits, dances, displays and speakers.

Diwali is a Hindu festival celebrated over five days, with the third day regarded as the most important celebration day. Lighting candles during the Festival of Lights is meant to illuminate the darkness of the New Year's moon and strengthen close friendships and personal

knowledge.

The program also will honor the life and legacy of Mahatma Gandhi by celebrating the values that he lived every day.

Admission is \$1 donation at the door. The theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road. Visit Cantonvillagetheater.org or call (734) 394-5300 for more information.

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FRESH Fall FLAVORS

Seasonal ideas for adding full flavor from Food Network Chef Aida Mollenkamp

This fall, create a menu to remember by incorporating fresh, seasonal flavors into the traditional, comforting dishes of the season. As the air becomes crisp and the sun sets a little earlier each day, it's the ideal time to warm up your kitchen while experimenting with fresh ingredients. Plus, matching each dish with a corresponding wine is a simple technique for enhancing the flavors in the food and wine.

Chef Aida Mollenkamp, host of the popular Food Network show *Ask Aida* and Cooking Channel series *FoodCrafters*, suggests adding bright bursts of flavor, such as citrus zest, or a unique topping like chimichurri, to give a dish an unmistakable taste of the season.

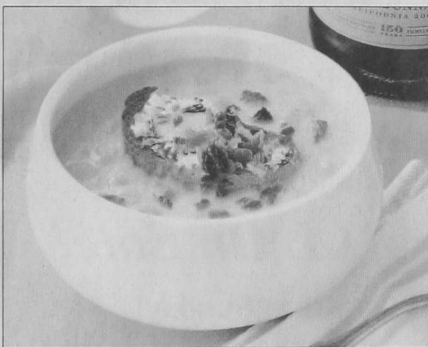
To start off a great meal, or even as a light main dish, try Aida's version of creamy corn soup topped with an indulgent cheese toast and crumbled bacon. Paired with a glass of crisp Chardonnay from California's Mirassou Winery®, this is a perfect pairing for any autumn evening.

For a main dish, pump up the flavor of a juicy roasted chicken by following Aida's recipe that incorporates a spiced pomegranate-orange glaze. Served with Mirassou's fruit-forward California Pinot Noir, this pairing is a crowd-pleaser for any occasion. Or try topping a grilled hanger steak with a colorful and spicy basil chimichurri, and pair with a glass of Mirassou's lush Cabernet Sauvignon to create an unforgettable fall flavor combination.

For more recipe ideas from Aida, and wine pairing tips, visit www.mirassou.com.



Chef Aida Mollenkamp



CREAMY CORN SOUP WITH BACON TOASTS

Pair with Mirassou California Chardonnay

Makes 6 to 8 servings

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Cook Time: 1 hour 20 minutes

Inactive Cook Time: 15 minutes

Difficulty: Easy

For the soup:

6 ears fresh corn
2 tablespoons (1/4 stick) unsalted butter
1 medium sweet onion, finely chopped
4 medium garlic cloves, crushed
1 cup Mirassou California Chardonnay
4 cups vegetable or chicken broth
1 1/2 cups water
1 cup half-and-half
1 vanilla bean, split in half

For the garnish:

2 tablespoons minced chives
12 1/2-inch-thick slices french bread, toasted
4 slices cooked bacon, crumbled

Prepare corn by cutting kernels from cob; reserve cobs. You should have approximately 5 cups of corn kernels from 6 cobs of corn. Heat butter in a medium saucepan over medium heat. When it foams, add onion and cook, stirring occasionally, until browned, about 5 to 7 minutes. Add garlic and cook until fragrant, about 1 minute. Add half of the corn kernels and cook, stirring constantly, until golden, about 3 minutes. Add wine and scrape up any browned bits on bottom of pan. Cook until alcohol smell is gone, about 2 minutes. Add broth, water, reserved corn cobs, and season with salt and freshly ground black pepper, increase heat to high and bring to a boil. When soup is boiling, reduce heat to low and simmer, stirring occasionally, for 40 minutes.

Remove soup mixture from heat, discard cobs and set aside. Place half of soup mixture in a blender and puree until very smooth, about 2 to 3 minutes. Repeat with remaining soup mixture. Return mixture to saucepan, add remaining corn kernels, half-and-half, and vanilla bean and cook over medium heat for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally to prevent burning. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired. Meanwhile, prepare garnish. Mix cheese and chives and season with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Divide cheese mixture evenly among toasts. To serve, remove vanilla bean from soup and ladle soup into bowls. Garnish soup with bacon and float 1 to 2 cheese toasts in each bowl.

SPICED HANGER STEAK WITH BASIL CHIMICHURRI

Pair with Mirassou California Cabernet Sauvignon

Makes 4 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 10 minutes

Inactive Cook Time: 15 minutes

Difficulty: Easy

For the basil chimichurri:

1 packed cup fresh basil leaves, trimmed of thick stems
3 medium garlic cloves
3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
1 teaspoon red pepper flakes
1/2 cup olive oil

Finely chop basil and garlic (or process in a food processor several pulses). Place in a small bowl.

Stir in remaining ingredients and season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Let sit at least 15 minutes before using. (Serve or refrigerate until ready to use. If chilled, return to room temperature before serving. Can keep up to 2 days.)

For the steak:

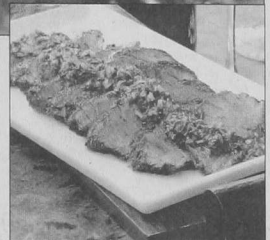
1 1/2 teaspoons ground coriander
1 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
2 teaspoons kosher salt
2 tablespoons canola or vegetable oil

1 1/2 to 1 3/4-pound beef hanger steak or skirt steak, sliced crosswise into 4 pieces

Combine spices and salt in a bowl and mix thoroughly. Lay steaks on baking sheet, drizzle all over with 1 tablespoon oil. Sprinkle on spice mixture, and rub it in until moistened. Repeat, coating steaks as evenly as you can. Let sit at room temperature at least 15 minutes before cooking.

When ready to cook, heat a large cast iron skillet over medium-high heat and add remaining 1 tablespoon oil. When oil begins to smoke, place steaks in pan and cook, undisturbed, until crust has formed and blood appears on surface, about 3 to 5 minutes, flip and repeat on second side.

Remove steaks to a carving board, cover loosely with foil, let rest for 10 minutes. To serve, slice against the grain and serve drizzled with basil chimichurri.



ROAST CHICKEN WITH SPICED POMEGRANATE-ORANGE GLAZE

Pair with Mirassou California Pinot Noir

Makes 4 to 6 servings

Prep Time: 20 to 30 minutes

Cook Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Difficulty: Medium

1 tablespoon kosher salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
2 tablespoons canola or vegetable oil
1 1/4 to 5-pound roasting chicken
1/2 medium orange
1/2 cup pomegranate juice
1 cup Mirassou California Pinot Noir
1/2 cup orange juice
3 tablespoons honey
3 garlic cloves, smashed
2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper
2 cloves
2 tablespoons Dijon mustard

Heat oven to 425°F and arrange rack in middle. Mix together salt and pepper in a small bowl and set aside. Pat chicken dry and rub all over (under skin, too) with oil and season with salt and pepper. Stuff cavity with orange half, and let sit at room temperature while oven heats up, about 20 to 30 minutes. Place, breast side up, on a roasting rack; roast until skin is golden brown, about 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, combine pomegranate juice, wine, orange juice, honey, garlic, black pepper and cloves in a large pan and boil, stirring frequently, over high heat until syrupy (you should have about 1/2 cup), about 25 to 30 minutes. Remove from heat, discard garlic and cloves, whisk in mustard, and reserve half of the glaze for serving.

Continue roasting chicken, brushing with glaze every 5 minutes, until chicken is cooked through and an instant-read thermometer inserted in the thickest part of the thigh, avoiding bone, registers 165°F, about 30 to 45 minutes more. Let rest 10 minutes; carve and serve with reserved glaze passed on side.

— Courtesy Family Features

Tell us why family dinners are important

The *Observer* wants to hear about your family dinnertime and to encourage and challenge local families to eat together.

Share your family's experience and you could win a \$25 Kroger gift card (to help fix that dinner) and other prizes.

Send a photo of your family eating dinner and short essay (100 words or less) explaining why your family's meal-sharing is important or how/why you plan to start a new tradition of family dinnertime to: Sharon.Dargay@hometownlife.com. Attach the photo (jpg format only) and provide first and last names of everyone in the photo.

The *Observer* will award three prizes — one for a child's



dren's essay and family dinner photo, one for a teenager's essay and family photo and one for a couple's essay and family photo.

Other prizes include a copy of *Let's Fix Dinner*, by award-winning author and illustrator Todd Parr (child's prize) and movie tickets to Imagine Theater.

Family Day — A Day to Eat

Dinner with Your Children™ is a national movement launched by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University in 2001 to remind parents that frequent family dinners make a difference.

Statistics show that eating dinner together every night keeps the doors of communication open. It's the perfect time and place to reconnect and to show your kids and/or your spouse that they are your priority.

Plan a meal, talk, turn off the television and put down the cell phone and eat together.

More than a decade of research by The National Center on Addiction

and Substance Abuse at Columbia University CASA has consistently found that the more often kids eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs.

Family Day began as a grassroots initiative and has grown to become a nationwide celebration. In 2009 President Barack Obama, all the governors and more than 1,000 mayors and county executives proclaimed and supported Family Day.

For more information on Family Day, see www.casafamilyday.org. Sharon Dargay can be reached online at sdargay@hometownlife.com or (313) 222-8883.

CITY BITES

Benefit for braille

Livonia — Eat at California Pizza Kitchen in Livonia from Sunday-Thursday, Oct. 3-7, and you can support Seedlings Braille Books for Children, the local nonprofit that provides high quality, low cost children's literature in braille. Download a flyer from the Seedlings Web site, www.seedlings.org, and present it when you dine. The organization will receive 20 percent of your bill. Every \$10 raised at this event will make another braille book possible.

Dining hours are 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday and noon-8 p.m. Sunday. California Pizza Kitchen is located in Laurel Park Place, Six Mile and Newburgh, Livonia.

At Farmer's Market

Milford — The Milford Farmer's Market now accepts Michigan's Bridge Card, which

dispenses federal food assistance dollars to needy families and individuals through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly Food Stamps. Clients can exchange their food assistance benefits for wooden tokens at the farmers market that are accepted by vendors who sell qualifying foods, like fresh fruits and vegetables, baked goods and meats.

Milford Farmer's Market is open 3-9 p.m. Thursdays on Liberty between Main and Union.

Other local farmer's markets that accept Bridge Cards are:

- Canton — 500 N. Ridge Road, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday through Oct. 17.
- Redford — 12121 Hemmingway, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, through Oct. 31.
- Wayne — 35319 Michigan Ave., 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, through Oct. 27.

Vegetarians celebrate national awareness month

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

VegMichigan wants to make it easy for you this month to eat more vegetables, fruits and grains and less meat.

The organization is celebrating national Vegetarian Awareness Month with events throughout October.

"VegMichigan is a very welcoming group and people love it when new people join," said Cyndi Summers, who handles publicity.

Vegan potluck dinners are planned for 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7 and 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia.

Vegans eat no animal products of any kind, including dairy foods. The Oct. 7 dinner will include a demonstration and raw foods. The Oct. 24 potluck will include a video.

Participants should bring a dish to pass or \$7.50.

"We really do encourage people to bring a dish," Summers said. "There are plenty of different things vegetarians can eat. You don't have to be an accomplished cook. You can bring vegetables, a side dish, salad. You can bring watermelon, a fruit salad."

"The potlucks can be pretty intimate, sometimes fewer than 20 people."

The group's Thanksgiving potluck draws upwards of 100 individuals all in various stages on the same path.

"Some may be vegan, some raw vegan, some people may just be trying to eat less meat."

VegMichigan offers lectures, classes, social outings and an e-newsletter that goes out to approximately 6,000 e-mail addresses. VegFest — a mix of food tastings, guest speakers, and educational workshops — grew so large that it will move from Ferndale High School to Rock Financial Center in Novi next year.

"The vegetarian food market is growing from year to year. In an economy where things



VegMichigan holds monthly potluck dinners at Unity Church in Livonia.

usually are on the decline, the vegetarian category continues to increase. Vegetarian options grew 100 percent this year over last year," she said, citing statistics from farmusa.org.

VegMichigan cites three major reasons — health, environment and humane treatment of animals — for eating a plant-based diet.

Its Web site points out that vegetarian diets are typically high in fiber and low in saturated fat and cholesterol; animal agriculture creates waste and methane gas emissions that contribute to pollution; and factory farming creates cruel, crowded living conditions for animals that are

headed for slaughter.

"People are starting to seek out more information. It's a subject people avoided for many years, but the more they hear from the mainstream media and see clips of factory farms, they know where their food comes from and it's hard to maintain that disconnect," Summers said.

Other VegMichigan events in October include a screening of the documentary, *Earthlings*, followed by a speaker and discussion, at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 6, at the Caroline Kennedy Library, 24590 George, Dearborn Heights. The film, narrated by Joaquin Phoenix,

looks at the way society treats animals. Call Rob Butler at (313) 791-3800 for more information.

The group's monthly dinner club will visit Jade Palace, 13351 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park, at 7 p.m., Oct. 9. Cost is \$15. E-mail to karen@vegimichigan.org by Oct. 7 for details.

A Halloween potluck is planned in Troy and VegMichigan representatives will offer a cooking demo in Rochester Hills. For more information about VegMichigan visit <http://vegimichigan.org>.

Here's a sampling of vegetarian recipes to celebrate Vegetarian Awareness Month:

ROASTED STUFFED POLENTA

Serves 8

Polenta:
2 1/4 cups of water
2 tablespoons leeks, finely minced
2 tablespoons carrots, minced
1/2 cup corn off the cob
1 bay leaf
1/2 teaspoon sea salt
1 cup organic medium ground corn meal

Baking sauce:
1/2 cup balsamic vinegar
1 1/2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
2 teaspoons dried oregano
1 tablespoon tamari
1/2 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
Basil Pesto:
2 cups loosely packed fresh basil leaves
1/2 cup pine nuts
1/2 teaspoon garlic, minced
2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
1/2 teaspoon sea salt

Polenta: In a sauce pan on medium heat, add water, leeks, carrots, corn, bay leaf and sea

salt. Simmer broth for five minutes. Slowly stir in corn meal and cook until it thickens. Transfer to a double boiler on medium-high heat and cook, stirring frequently for 30 minutes. Transfer to a parchment-lined baking sheet, flatten to 1/2-inch thick and let rest for at least 30 minutes. Cut polenta into 4-inch squares and then angle-cut into triangles.

Baking sauce: Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Mix together all baking sauce ingredients and spread onto a parchment-lined polenta pieces on the sauce and bake for 15-20 minutes or until edges are browned. Remove from oven and allow to cool.

Basil Pesto: Puree all basil pesto ingredients in a food processor until they become a paste with texture. Spread pesto on half the polenta triangles and place the remaining halves on top sandwich-style. Toast in a 400 degree oven for 8 minutes just before serving.



TUSCAN WHITE BEANS AND ROASTED ASPARAGUS

The beans and asparagus are a perfect topping for roasted, stuffed polenta.

White beans:
1 tablespoon of extra-virgin olive oil
1 cup of leeks, diced
2 cups fresh fennel bulb, trimmed, cored and thinly sliced
1/2 teaspoon of garlic, minced
2 cups water or bean stock
1 cup soy milk
1/2 teaspoon fresh ground white pepper
1/2 teaspoon sea salt
4 cups cooked cannellini or great Northern beans
1/2 cup almond meal or flour
Asparagus:
24 spears fresh asparagus, washed and stemmed
1 1/2 teaspoons extra virgin olive oil
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
1/2 teaspoon sea salt
1/2 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper

For serving:
1/2 cup red bell peppers, finely diced

Preparing beans:
Heat oil in a medium-sized saucepan on medium heat. Add leeks, fennel and garlic. Cook until leeks are clear, then add water, soy milk, white pepper, sea salt and beans. Simmer until beans start to break up. Add almond meal and simmer another 5 minutes.

Preparing asparagus:
Mix asparagus with all ingredients. Spread out on a parchment-lined baking sheet. Bake for 10 minutes.

To serve:
Place 1 cup of beans in the center of a plate. Put one Roasted Stuffed Polenta on the beans and arrange 3 spears of asparagus across the top of it in a fan pattern. Sprinkle red bell peppers around perimeter of plate.

All recipes courtesy of Chef George Vuletakis, former chef at Inn Season restaurant in Royal Oak. All are from his book, *Vegetarian Traditions*. For more on the book visit thevegetarianquy.com

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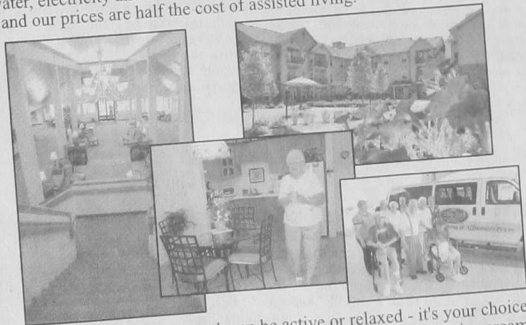
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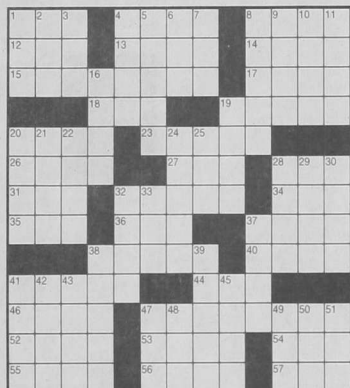
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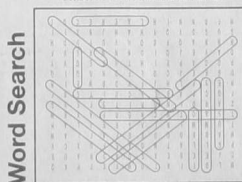
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