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Arts fund-raiser

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

The evening features a 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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The Partnership for Arts and Humanities is partnering with Hayden's Grill & Bar. Anyone who shows their Blackthorn ticket stub after the show Saturday, Oct. 16, can stop by Hayden's Grill & Bar and receive a complimentary appetizer. Hayden's is open until midnight.

Cost is \$25 per ticket.

RSVP to (734) 394-5300.

Everyday essentials

State Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) launches the 2010 "Everyday Essentials" donation drive from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, in downtown Plymouth's Kellogg Park. The goal of the drive will be to collect household and personal care products for local residents in need.

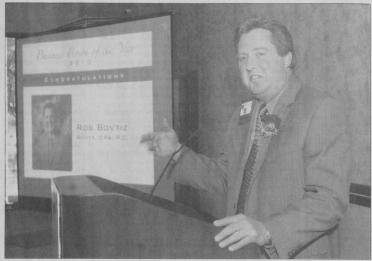
products for local residents in need.

"Many of our families are struggling to make ends meet in these tough times and they need our support,"
Corriveau said. "There are many everyday items we all use and often take for granted that are simply too costly for our families who are having difficulty just putting food on the table and keeping a roof over their head, I hope residents will join our effort and contribute whatever they can to give our friends and neighbors a helping hand in their time of need."

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The drive runs Oct. 23-Nov. 6. Residents are encouraged to donate household and personal care items such as toilet paper, facial tissues, diapers, baby wipes, paper towels, hand soap, dish soap, laundry detergent, dental care items and feminine care products. The products collected from the drive will be distributed to the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, the Plymouth Salvation Army and Northville Civic Concern. Donations can be dropped off at any of the following locations:

Northville District
Library, 212 W. Cady St. in
Northville.



Chamber honors top business person

25 AND COUNTING

The Canton Chamber of Commerce rec-ognized long-time members at the **Business Person of** recognized were

35 years: Canton Lions Club; Cantor 30 years: Canton

Historical Society; Canton Public Library James E. Glinski, DDS; Oakwood Healthcare System; Willow Creek Dental Care; Woodland Meadows

Space Storage; Henry Ford Medical Center; Mary Kay Cosmetics-Jane Brown; St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center; Yazaki North America Inc.

When Rob Bovitz and his wife, Katie, were looking for a place to settle, they didn't know much about Canton. After all, he was from Trenton, she was from Farmington Hills.

It's safe to say Bovitz and his wife have learned well.

Bovitz, a certified public accountant with his own firm, Bovitz CPA, P.C., was named the Canton Chamber of Commerce's 2010 Business Person of the Year Wednesday, topping a field of seven qualified candidates to capture the honor.

"I feel I've been blessed my whole life," Bovitz said. "Twelve years ago, we had no idea where Canton was. In the last 12 years, I've grown to love this community. It's been a great place to live and raise our kids."

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Bovitz has been active with the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber and has been a member of the Canton Chamber of Commerce since 2000. He's a graduate of the Leadership Canton program and sponsors a variety of events, such as the annual grub crawl, auction and golf outing.

But it was his philanthropic side that helped earn Bovitz the business honor. He's active with the Michigan Leukemia Society, the Karmanos Cancer Center, the YMCA, United Way and Arbor Hospice.

"Most of (the decision) was his many years of volunteerism and giving back

to the community," said Janet Volante of Huntington Bank, the 2009 winner and a member of the selection committee. "The award is for creativity and giving back to the community, and his volunteerism was certainly a big part of (his selection). It's very impressive."

Bovitz, who also has an office in his native Trenton, said the addition of the Canton office allowed him to break out from the shadow of his dad, Bob.

"Going to Canton was a chance to make an identity for myself," Bovitz said. "I was almost embarrassed to win ... it was such a quality field (of candidates). It was quite a

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Time Banking plan eyed to combat slump

BY DARRELL CLEM

Plymouth-Canton Citizens for Diversity and Inclusion has initiated an effort to combat an economic slump by pooling resources of disabled people, local businesses, at-risk youth, retirees, food pantries, religious leaders and others wiling to give help to get it.

Perhaps a single mother might offer a disabled woman a ride to the doctor's office and, in return, get a broken sink repaired by a licensed plumber. Maybe a struggling student might get after-school help with math from a laid-off banker who needs help sprucing up a job resume.

PCCDI has announced plans to bring Time Banking — a social change movement found in 22 countries on six continents — to western Wayne County, starting in Plymouth and Canton.

It's a way people can share their talents with others and get favors or services they need. It's also an effort that Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, who chairs PCCDI's strategic planning board, said can dismantle barriers and lead to better understanding among residents regardless of culture, religion, age, race and other differences that, at times, can divide rather than unite.

"We hope to get it kicked off in January," Graham-Hudak said. "We hope to build friendships and get people to start working with each other."

Organizers say the goal is to build an inclusive community of residents who help each other, especially during a tough economy that has left an increasing number of people in need for help they can't afford. "Time Banking is a simple idea that has powerful ripple effects in building community cannections," said Kim Hodge, director of the Michigan Alliance of Time Banks. "The tool speaks very well to these economically challenged times we're in and is an exchange system that is similar to 'pay it forward." There are so many people who are unemployed or hurting and who need to do something to feel valued and meet people in their community. We really need to rely on each other more right now."

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Jobs, taxes top issues at Senate forum

Jobs, taxes and efforts to reverse Michigan's economic decline emerged as dominant issues as four candidates competing for the 7th District state Senate seat squared off for an hour Monday night during a sometimes-heated forum inside Canton's Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Amid sporadic applause and groans from a crowd estimated by theater employees at

125 people, candidates occasionally steered away from audience-submitted question to attack an opponent or lob criticism toward a political

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Wish you were here!

Bruce and Karen Cobb of Canton and Karen and Rod Vasold of Livonia grabbed their Observer and traveled to Germany in April for a week's vacation celebrating the Vasold's 40th anniversary. The group found out upon arrival the voicane had eruped in Iceland, which caused their vacation to be extended two days. This picture was taken at King Ludwig's Neuschwanstein castle near Fussen, Germany (the inspiration or Disneyland's Sleeping Beauty Castle). The group "had a wonderful trip traveling by train and the autobahn to Frankfurt, Rothenburg and Munich, Germany. We also enjoyed a day trip to Salzburg, Austria."

Wrestling boosters

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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/
registration 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@tingwest.com or visit
the Salem Wrestling web site
at "wrestling.salemrocks.com"
for more information.

Bug hunt

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Friends of the Rouge
will hold their annual
Fall Bug Hunt 9 a.m. to 4
p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at
Schoolcraft College, located
at 18600 Haggerty Road in
Livonia.
The Fall Bug Hunt is an
excellent way to help assess
the health of the Rouge River
by joining a team of volunteers to search for critters in
the streambed. Twice a year,
teams of volunteers visit sites
throughout the headwaters of
the watershed and search for

natitat.
To register or for more infor mation, please call (313) 792-9621 or e-mail monitoring@ therouge.org.

Alice in Wonderland

Spotlight on Youth presents the delightful musical "Alice in Wonderland Jr.," Oct. 21-24, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Music and lyrics adapted by Bryan Louiselle from the Lewis Carroll clas-sic

from the Lewis Carroll classic.

The show is the latest in a string of performances by this "junior" company, one that performs shorter, child-friendly versions of classic plays and tales and features cast and crew from all over the area. Follow Alice and the White Rabbit down the rabbit hole, leaving behind a perfect English summer's day and ending up in Wonderland, where nothing is as its expected and where such whimsical characters as the March Hare, Mad Hatter and Cheshire Cat reside.

Mad Hatter and Chesine reside.

"Alice has been delighting audiences of all ages since the 1800s, one of those literary treasures that truly appeals to kids and adults alike – because the child that first encountered Alice in books or movies or plays is alive band well in the grown up that encounters her again," direc-

tor Barbara Bloom of Novi said. "For this performance by Spotlight on Youth we've taken the songs from the well known 1951 Disney classic plus a few others you'll recognize and updated them in a way kids will love."

The show plays Oct. 21-22 at 7 p.m.; Oct. 23 at 2 and 7 p.m.; Oct. 24 at 2 p.m.; and a special school performance 10 a.m. Oct. 25.

The Village Theater at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. Tickets can be purchased by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5360 or (734) 934-5460 or on line at www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater or in person at The Summit on the Park or at the door.

Walk for melanoma

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

Book signing

Book signing
Award-winning author
and photographer Cheryl
Vatcher-Martin of Canton
will be autographing copies of her books Oct. 9 at the
Barnes & Noble book store in
Allen Park at 2 p.m., and Oct.
23 at 2 p.m., at the Borders
Express stand-alone store in
Southgate.
"Til be happy to talk to people about the craft of Haiku
and how I arranged the Haiku

in my book, 'Haiku For You:
With Some One Room School
House History.' I've spoken to
many readers about the one
of a kind history contained in
my book which can be shared
with children and adults alike.
Many of my students have
enjoyed learning the craft of
Haiku from my book," Martin
said.

Haiku from my book," Martin said.
Her brand new Writers'
Club debuted Sept. 27 at the William P. Faust Library in Westland.
As a prolific author, writer, photographer, poet, college professor/instructor and small business owner, she's looking forward to the writers that she'll encourage through her new group. Writers of all levels and genres are invited. She can be reached at (734) 397-1626.

Check out Canton

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

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"Check Out Canton" works like the library's very popular Museum Adventure Pass program. Local businesses supply special offers that patrons can check out from the library with a library card. Use the passes to save on goods and services throughout Canton.
Want to know what's being offered? Simply search the library catalog for "Check Out Canton". Businesses and their offers.
Businesses interested in participating in this program can call Canton's Economic Development office at (734)

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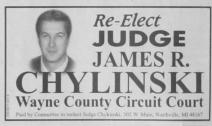


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All interested parents are invited to attend. Admission is \$10 per person/family. All proceeds will go to the Liberty Kids charity. Liberty Kids is a Michigan non-profit charity aimed at helping children with Autism and other related challenges and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

Space is limited, so please call ahead to reserve your seat(s).

Detail of Workshop:

Understanding the Individual Education Plan (IEP) process can be difficult and intimidating for both parents and education professionals. But all agree that the IEP is a critical element in the special needs student's success story.

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.

How to prepare for the IEP meeting Strategies to consider during the IEP meeting What's next? Steps to take after the IEP meeting

Staci Bockmann is the mother of Blake, who is 12 years old, main-streamed in school and on the Autism Spectrum. Staci is also a Parenting Coach, and Advocate for IEP's. Additionally, Staci and her husband Steve created www.MyGreatKid.com, a web site to provide resources for parents of children with Autism. Staci can also be heard every Sunday morning (8—9 AM) Live on WAAM Talk Radio 1600, The MyGreatKid Show, a radio show that talks about real life family issues.



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State House hopefuls face off in candidate forum

Michigan's ailing economy, Tea Party politics, abortion and partisan bickering surfaced as political hot buttons as four state House candidates made their pitch to voters Monday night during a forum at Canton's Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Theater employees estimated a crowd of 125 people watched as 21st District Democratic incumbent Dian Slavens faced Republican challenger Lori Levi — and as 20th District GOP nominee Kurt Heise and Democrat Joan Wadsworth squared off — during a one-hour forum. With the Nov. 2 election less than a month away, candidates responded to audience-submitted questions during a House candidates forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County.

Slavens is trying to fend off

Voters or Not County.

Slavens is trying to fend off a strong challenge from Levi, while Heise and Wadsworth compete to replace departing state Rep. Marc Corriveau, D-Northville. The winners will earn two-year terms.

The 21st District includes most of Canton, Belleville and Van Buren Township, while the 20th District includes Plymouth, part of Northville and Plymouth townships, part of eastern Canton and the city of Wayne. Levi, a small business owner and Canton resident, called for diversifying Michigaria economy by creating a business friendly climate, dismantling government roadblocks, creating a stable yet reduced tax structure and halting efforts to choose certain industries over others.

"What we need most are jobs," she said.
Slavens, a Canton resident, called for an end to partisan bickering and a willingness to reach a consensus to move Michigan forward. She touted her efforts to create jobs by getting an advanced battery bill passed, saying Michigan can now become the nation's "electric car capital."

Wadsworth, like Slavens, cited a so-called aerotropolis as a way to use certain tax incentives to lure new business and industry to a swath of land roughly between Detroit Metro and Willow



Run airports. Wadsworth, a Northville resident and long-time school board member, also challenged universities to translate their research efforts

also challenged universities to translate their research efforts into new jobs.

Heise, a Plymouth Township attorney and small businessman, said Michigan needs to boost efforts to export agriculture, "green" technology and products it manufactures, but he said Democrats have shat out" the world.

Heise cited high unemployment and said Democrats have led the state on the wrong path for eight years. "Im fed up."

Levi told the audience she is campaigning "to be a voice of common sense," and she called for efforts such as eliminating the Michigan Business Tax, slashing wasteful government spending, prioritizing services and returning control to local communities.





Slavens cited her 100 per-cent voting record and her efforts to set the bar for trim-ming expenses by slashing lawmaker's pay by 10 percent and seeking to eliminate life-time health care for legisla-tors.

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"There is no question that
Lansing is broken," Slavens
said, "and I'm committed to
fixing it."

Wadsworth said she supports reducing the Michigan
Business Tax, streamlining
regulations, cutting wasteful
spending, investing in education and seeking a way to
allow local school districts to
ask voters for a tax increase
for schools. As a state legislator, she said she could weigh
the interests of residents
without bowing to partisan
bickering.

"I know what it's like to sit
in the hot seat and balance the

interests of different constitu-encies," she said.
Heise spoke against new taxes or fees, which he said would only strangle job cre-ation, and he called for scrap-ping the Michigan Business Tax and other impediments to business

Responding to other questions:

• Slavens and Wadsworth described themselves as prochoice, while Levi and Heise said they are pro-life. Levi also said she supports "traditional marriage"

• Questioned about the Tea Party movement, Slavens and Wadsworth both indicated they largely oppose it. Many Democrats have labeled the Tea Party as divisive.

Levi and Heise said they support lower taxes, a less-bloated state government, conservative spending and free enterprise — goals cited by many Tea Party activists.

"If that's what the Tea Party stands for," Heise said, "so do I."

trial lawyers from driving up costs.

Wadsworth said ways to provide health care as efficiently as possible should be sought, and she said programs aimed at helping low-income residents make a "big difference" in quality of life.

Slavens, a respiratory therapist by trade, said preventative medicine is needed for everyone, but she said she has fought to curb costs for legislators who have better coverage than the constituents they represent.

SENATE

military retiree and business

military retiree and businessman.

Colbeck, who announced his candidacy in April during a Tea Party rally, called himself a 'big advocate' of making Michigan a right-to-work state where union-shop employees could choose to opt out.

'Our No. 1 issue is getting jobs back into the state,' Colbeck, a Canton resident, said.

Colbeck, dedicated to free enterprise and smaller government, said efforts such as eliminating the Michigan Business Tax will lead to job growth, and he said pay levels will increase on their own as worker demand spikes.

Stewart called for efforts to revamp Michigan's tax structure and repeal the personal property tax on businesses, and he labeled himself a moderate who believes organizations such as the United Auto Workers have worked hard to protect Michigan jobs.

"I'm here to talk about putting Michigan workers first," said Stewart, a Plymouth Township resident.

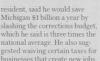
Brandys called for budget cuts and making government more efficient, saying he would "definitely not raise taxes during a recession when times are tough." He said the state corrections budget could be slashed, and he suggested outsourcing violent immates to prisons in Peru that are tough on criminals.

Brandys, a Plymouth resident, said he supports eliminatery to the supports eliminatery and the supports eliminatery and the supports eliminatery and the supports eliminatery are the supports eliminatery and the supports eliminate









sentative and said he worked to balance budgets in his role as an appropriations committee member. He said state leaders should explore early release for non-violent prisoners to trim soaring prison costs.

Colbeck called for restoring limited government and said "government and said government control has never worked," regardless of the political party in power. Moreover, he said he supports personal liberty and personal accountability, and "we need to elect leaders that respect these principles."

Rather than legislating in a vacuum, Kheibari said he would take time if elected to talk with teachers, firefighters and other employees to get their ideas on making government work better.

Brandys vowed to stand up for Libertarian values and "be

transparent and accountable." He took aim at Republicans and Democrats, saying both political parties have fallen short on actions best for their constituents.

Stewart criticized Colbeck's voting record, saying Colbeck has failed to vote in numerous elections. Stewart, in an apparent swipe at the Tea Party, also called "despicable" the political rallies, such as one in Plymouth's Kellogg Park, in which people carried signs offensive toward President Barack Obama.

After the forum had ended, Colbeck said he has voted in most general elections, though he conceded missing some primaries and school elections. Moreover, he said Stewart, as a former state legislator, had missed votes on certain issues.

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CRIME WATCH

Drug possession

Canton police arrested a man for possession of crack cocaine and marijuana following a traffic stop that occurred about 9:15 p.m. Saturday on Sheldon south of Michigan Avenue.

A caller notified police after seeing the driver swerving across lanes in a Chrysler Town & Count minivan with an Illinois license plate, according to police reports.

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Police said the driver failed to use a turn signal when he turned onto southbound Sheldon from Michigan Avenue, prompting a traffic stop. He told police he had been to Garden City and was going to his residence in Westland, though it wasn't clear how that path landed him in Canton.

Police found crack cocaine and marijuana and arrested the man for operating under the influence of drugs.

Brass knuckles

2A 12th-grade student at Canton High School wa 2cited for possession of a dangerous weapon after Canton police say he was found to have brass knuck les on school property Monday afternoon. School administrators summoned police after an auto shop instructor apparently saw the brass knuckles when the student took his vehicle to the

shop to this soline dagnostic tests, according to police reports.

The suspect told police the brass knuckles had been part of a belt his ex-gridfriend gave to him, and he said he had removed it when he had gone to a concert Saturday at Eastern Michigan University. The suspect said he put the weapon in a driverside door and forgot about it.

Though the teen was ticketed, school officials also were planning to decide what, if any, punishment he might receive at school.

Police confiscated the brass knuckles.

Intruder alert

Intruder alert

A woman told police she returned to her apartment on Honeytree, southeast of Joy Road and 1-275, and found that an intruder had entered a sliding glass door to her residence.

She said the incident happened between 6:45-9 pm. Sunday. Several items were reported stolen from the apartment, including a laptop computer, a flat-screen television, an iPod and \$250 in cash that the woman was saving for her rent.

Civic swiped

4An employee of Mickey Shorr on Ford east of Sheldon reported that his 2000 Honda Civic w

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stolen while it was parked near the building between 11:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday.

The worker told police he had parked near the building when he arrived for work and later found the vehicle missing. He said he only had one set of keys. He also told police he had \$4,000 in audio and electronic equipment in the car, along with a motorcycle helmet.

Car stolen

Mott Rd

A woman told police her 1991 Oldsmobile Cutless was stolen while it was parked on Carriage Cove Circle, southeast of Warren and Lilley, between 11 pm. Friday and 4 pm. Saturday. She said she had locked the doors of the car.

House egged

6A woman who heard loud noises outside her house told police she went to the front door and

learned that eggs had been thrown at the residence The incident happened around 11 p.m. Friday on Mornington, southeast of Cherry Hill and Beck.

Van Born Rd

Yost Rd.

Car trashed

A man who initially thought he had hit an animal in the road learned that his vehicle was damaged when a passerby in another vehicle threw a bag of trash toward his vehicle about 9 pm. last Thursday, police said.

The incident happened while the man was driving east on Ford near Napier.

He said his vehicle became overheated and he pulled into a car wash lot and says that the grill and radiator had been damaged.

Compiled by Staff Writer Darrell Clem from Canton Police

Bad-check suspect bound for trial

BY DARRELL CLEM

A Detroit man is facing trial in Wayne County Circuit Court following accusations he wrote a fraudulent check at a Canton grocery store, led township police on a chase in a U-Haul van, abandoned the vehicle in a residential neighborhood and hid in a homeowner's garage before he was captured.

Timothy David McClure, 29, was ordered to stand trial after he appeared Monday for a preliminary hearing in front of 35th District Judge Mike Gerou.

As a repeat offender, McClure could face penalties ranging up to life in prison if he is convicted of first-degree home invasion; uttering and publishing a fraudulent check, second-degree fleeing and eluding a police officer, resisting and obstructing a police officer; and reckless driving.

Though the U-Haul van was reportedly stolen, a charge of receiving and concealing stolen property was dismissed because it wasn't known if McClure allegedly took the van or if someone else had stolen it and allowed him to use it, Canton Detective Tim Wright said.

McClure was arrested following an incident that started shortly before 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, at the Kroger store near Canton Center and Ford roads, Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner has said.

A Kroger employee notified authorities to report a suspect passing a fraudulent check, but while the worker was on the phone with police, the man fled the store and began driving east on Ford Road in the U-Haul van, police said.

The driver then continued east across Morton Taylor Road before he entered a residential subdivision, drove to a dead-end, bailed from the U-Haul, fled on foot and entered a homeowner's garage in the 5000 block of Willow Creek, police have said.

McClure remains jailed with a \$50,000 cash bond as he awaits proceedings in Wayne County Circuit Court.

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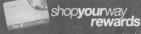












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Helen Zorn blows out the candles on the cake marking her 100th birthday. Zorn celebrated with family at of Canton.

Family celebrates 100th birthday

flies.

And Zorn should know, since she's seen so much of it fly by.

Zorn celebrated her 100th birthday last week with a party attended by some 50 family members at Heartland of

attended by some so raminy members at Heartland of Canton.

"I cannot believe where 100 years have gone!" she told her family at her party. "It is not as long as you may think."

She was born Helen Glabicki Oct. 10, 1910, in Philadelphia, and later moved to Detroit in early childhood. She worked at the main Sander's store on Woodward in downtown Detroit for four years, then married the love of her life, Homer Zorn. They were wed in 1930 and were married for 63 years until he passed away in 1993.

The couple had three children. Daughter Sharon Tonak



Helen Zorn at age 18.

and her husband, Ralph, have lived in Canton for 37 years. Son Richard (Carolyn) Zorn lives in Flushing, while daughter Shirley Knudsen and her husband, Ronald, live in Riverview. Helen Zorn has 14 grandchildren, 26 great-grand-children and 15 great-grand-children. All that family has watched

Helen Zorn live a relatively healthy life, which has allowed her, according to her family, to continue to live independently — until recently. Zorn underwent surgery after suffering a blood clot in her leg in February 2008, but returned to living independently at Plymouth's Independence Village. However, she fell and broke a hip in August and has been staying temporarily at Heartland Canton.

That's where everyone gathered for her 100th birthday party. Helen, who family members agree devoted her life to her children and grandchildren and to the "love of her life," as grandaughter Linda Brehmer put it, said it herself at the party.

"What I have realized all

put it, said it herself at the party.
"What I have realized all these years is that the most important things in life are the good times and love you share with your friends and family," Zorn said.

CHAMBER

surprise."

Nominated along with
Bovitz were Mary Bartlett
of Bartlett Consulting;
Shane Fritz of Charisma Life
Church; Melissa Huetter of
Indigo Salon & Day Spa; Lori
Morrison of Ribar Floral in
Plymouth; Kim Seartelli of
Curves; and Linda Stansell of
Holiday Inn Express.
Zlatina Dimova of Fidelity
Bank was named the chamber's Ambassador of the Year.
In reading her nomination,
Terry Goehman of Mayflower
Trucking, last year's winner,
said Dimova "is always smiling."

the channel lege."
"I'm speechless," she said.
"It's been a privilege to work with the chamber and the local businesses, and I'm looking forward to helping those local businesses thrive."



The Canton Chamber of Commerce 2010 Business Awards luncheon drew crowd to the Summit.



Chamber President Dianne Cojei honors Canton Lions Eugene Hammonds and Bob Boyer for 35 years of Chamber membership.

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Graham-Hudak said the Web-based program will allow people to go through an application process, sign up and earn a 'time dollar' for every hour they spend helping others in need. Then they can cash in their earnings for help with cooking, cleaning, piano lessons, house painting and other tasks.

Already, PCCDI has been awarded a grant of more than \$10,000 from the Michigan Disability Rights Coalition to defray costs for disabled residents, Graham-Hudak said, Other participants are asked to pay \$25 a year for an individual or \$45 for a family — a cost that, while needed to pay a coordinator, amounts to much less than out-of-pocket expenses for labor and tasks. Graham-Hudak said PCCDI plans to collaborate with the

Michigan Disability Rights
Coalition, Michigan Alliance
of Time Banks, a University of
Michigan social worker graduate class and the Starkweather
Education Center — an alternative and adult education
facility — for the project,
Local organizers say
Lathrup Village already has a
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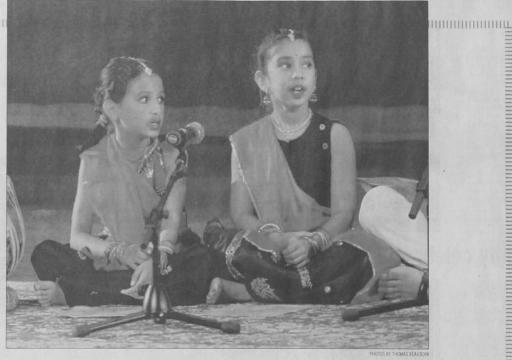
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Lisha Guptn of Northville and Archana Menawat of Canton sing India songs



It was a time of celebration Saturday as hundreds gathered the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton to celebrate Diw the Festival of Lights, and the anniversary of Mahatma Gand birth.

Canton Supervisor Phil Lajoy kicked off the event with a wcome and introduction, and the program included songs, skit 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 illu nate the darkness of the New Year's moon and strengthen clofriendships and personal knowledge.

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







The crowd got in on the Festival of Lights action by taking part in



of Ann Arbor perform the State of Kerala, India Folklores Dance



Cold drizzle couldn't dampen musical marching extravaganza

With steaming mugs of coffee and cocoa and piping hot kielbasa, some 4,000 musical marching fans from across the state and even from Illinois huddled onto the varsity home bleachers of the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park on Saturday to cheer on 11 top high school marching bands at the annual Great Lakes Invitational.

"This is one of the biggest fund-raisers for the band," Plymouth-Canton Music Booster president John Noss said. "But it's more than money for us. It's a community time. It's a time to demonstrate and show off our sport, to invite the community in to see all these young and passionate kids that are playing music. It's our time to show off our band and other bands to the community."

And show off they did, with colorful costumes, flags and uniforms, masterful music, marching and choreography, not to mention intriguing show compositions.

The evening's competition of the state of the state

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The evening's competition started off with the Plymouth Fife & Drum Corp leading local seventh- and eighth-grade musicians onto the home gridiron for the playing of the national anthem.

This year's competition lineup included the Lincoln-Way North Marching Band from Rockford, Ill., that captured second place in Flight I (flights are determined by school enrollment, not band size, with the largest schools in Flight I).

The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band performed its 2010 show, "The Source," in exhibition as host of the event, It was the first time the 215-member band performed before an audience this year and it wowed









Madelyn Momano is looking forward to next week and was relieved to have completed her first performance.

"I was really nervous to begin with," she said, "but it got a lot better. All the long practices were definitely worth it."

Award presenters at GLI included Dr. Craig Fiegel, superintendent of the Plymouth-Canton Public Schools, Plymouth High School Associate Principal Erin MacGregor and Board of Education Trustee John Jackson. Area awards went to Livonia Franklin, sixth; Lakeland, fourth; and Walled Lake Central, first, all in Flight I. Central also marched off with the Lundy Memorial Trophy for the

highest score, 77.46, in the competition.
Some 150 volunteers including band parents, alumni and friends kept Saturday's show running smoothly, Noss noted. For him, the best part of his job as booster parent and president is "the interaction with these kids who work so hard and are so passionate about their craft."

You can see bad press all day long," he said. 'If you want to see the good — this is good. A lot of these kids go on to music careers.

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Don't be spooked by flash crash into rash decisions

trophe turned out to be a bad day.

The day of the flash crash — and for a time afterward — there was speculation as to what caused the crash. There were people who speculated it was an error in entering an order to something more sinister, suggesting that someone was trying to manipulate the market.

The variety of speculation on Wall Street and in the media resulted in fear on behalf of investors. In fact, many investors, fearful that we were about to enter another period of extreme volatility, decided to liquidate their portfolios. The good news is the report showed there was nothing sinister about the flash crash nor was there any attempt to

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Money Matters storm.
According to the report, the epicenter of the crash was a trade done by a mutual fund

nearly 1,000 points. After certain market controls were triggered, the markets were able to stabilize and it turned out to be just a bad day.

This is not the last of the flash crash. Most likely there will be congressional hearings, new regulations and, of course, a fair number of conspiracy theories. As investors, we should focus on what we can learn from this event.

The obvious is that speculation doesn't do anyone any good. Immediately after the flash crash, the talking heads were on TV with all sorts of theories. Although it was entertaining, it was pure speculation. Crazy things happen in the market over short periods of time and investors med to recognize that. As difficult as it may be, investors must be disciplined. It's been shown that investors who act out of fear or greed inevitably end up making the wrong decision. When market volatility occurs, it almost always pays to take a step back and let things settle

down.

Another lesson is that we ought to discount the people who claim that upon any irregularity there is some sort of sinister conspiracy. People who claim the markets are fixed and controlled behind the scenes generally have no clue what they are talking about.

As investors, it behooves us to avoid any information coming from people who lack credibility. It's tough enough being an investor without having to deal with people who have no clue. Of course, that doesn't mean that you should turn a blind eye to the gyrations of the market. However, make sure that before you radically change your portfolio, you're not relying upon speculation and hearsay. Rely on the facts. Good luck.

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Second prize is two tickets to Rock of Ages, Nov. 9. at the Fisher Theatre featuring Constantine Maroulis - the American Idol finalist who was nominated for a Tony Award for his starring role in the Broadway production.

Third prize is four movie passes to Emagine Theaters in Canton or Novi or the Palladium/Birmingham Theater in downtown Birmingham.

Readers can view the Halloween gallery and recommend your photo.

Be sure to include a first and last name



and the town where you live (only con-testants from Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties are eligible to win prize but anyone can recommend a photo).

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Craft time: Annual show provides fun for the family

Looking for a snowman to decorate your home this holiday season? Or a witch to haunt Trick-or-Treaters this Halloween?

The Delta Kappa Gamma Craft Show offers seasonal items as well as American Girl doll clothes, dog accessories like Snuggle Sack sleeping bags, metal wall sculpture, candles, and jewelry Saturday, Oct. 16, at West Middle School in Plymouth.

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Doris Brailean of Livonia and Geraldine Perkovich of Canton delight little girls with the outfits they sew for American Girl dolls.
Plymouth's Ellen Schroeder makes tutus, scarves and pillowcases. Diane Dunne of South Lyon, returns with her children's books. She's authored a new release Harp Mouse Adventures – Book II.

The daughter-mother team of Beverley Reading and Irene Lock create everything from soft sculpture wall hangings to crocheted items in their Westland home. Beverley has made snowmen, witches, turkeys, and Santas for the last 25 to 30 years. Irene's been crocheting all her life and brings pillows, towels, dish-cloths, and baby blankets.

"My mother's 101 and does beautiful work," said Beverly Reading. "Her work would put anybody else's to shame. She grew up with a crochet hook in her hand, crochets every day. We have done this together all of the time. It's our hobby."

Sarah and Glen Waldman started getting crafty about the search was the started setting crafty about the search was the started setting crafty about the search was the search was

our hobby."
Sarah and Glen Waldman started getting crafty about three years ago when she was diagnosed with lung cancer and he retired. Today, the Garden City couple enjoys every minute of every day by living life to the fullest. Sarah recently completed a 5K walk at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. She helps raise funds for lung cancer Oct. 30 at the LUNGgevity walk at Drake Sports Park in West Bloomfield.
Sarah knits and crochets shawls, baby outfits, and toys for children. The items are mostly one-of-a-kind as she bores easily "making things over and over again." She's probably best known for her Christmas gnome, a 1½ foot tall figure also available in University of Michigan and Michigan State University colors.
Glenn makes soy candles. It's obvious Sarah is quite proud of her husband.
"He does pillar style, jar candles and votives," said Sarah Waldman. "Soy burns cleaner, cooler and is better for the environment. It's a renewable and supports the American farmers and you can wash out he jars with soap and water."

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NEW FURNACE?



Dog diners, available from Stylin' Doggies of Canton, are all oak wood sealed twice and topped with Formica. They'll be available at the Oct. 16 Delta Kanna Gamma craft show.

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SHOW

Where: West Middle School

Why: The Delta Kappa Gamma Craft Show raises money for scholarships to send graduating seniors to college to become teachers. Admission is \$2. Details: Call (734) 495-9327 or e-mail Judy Stone at jbstone@

comcast.net.

Gamma craft show.

Oaks malls.
"Tve done metal on and off through the years, welded and brazing," said Anderson of Whitmore Lake. "Right now I'm gearing up for the holidays."
Sharon Bida usually shows her jewelry in galleries so she's especially looking forward to the Delta Kappa Gamma show. She brings brooches and bread necklaces and bracelets in a rainbow of colors. Bida recently won the Award of Excellence at Sharing the Gift Within presented by First Presbyterian Church in Northville. She has been a working artist for 25 years.
"It's a chance to get

a working artist for 25 years.

"It's a chance to get people's response to your work and for prices to be much lower," said Bida of Plymouth.

Machelle Grech's work is for the dogs. Inspired by her two Italian greyhounds, Lance and Maggie, the items evolved when Grech started making sweaters for them 3-years ago. Stylin

Doggies took off and are thoroughly tested by her furbabies before items are sold to the public.

"I believe all dogs, no matter their size, should have style," said Grech of Canton. Grech and husband, David bring bandanas, collar covers, Snuggle Sacks, and feeding stations or Dog Diners he crafts from oak with formica tops.

"They love the Snuggle Sacks," said Machelle Grech. "It makes them secure and warm. The collar covers give it a different look and are an inexpensive way to have a different color."

This is the Greches first year in the show. Maggie is sure to be there in spirit. The 5-year old dog died in May from stomach cancer. As always the couple donates part of the profits from sales to the Michigan Humane Society.

"I've been to their shows before," said Machelle Grech. "I know it's a big and popular show and wanted to get into that show."

Craft show raises funds for scholarships

No one wants to be left behind when it comes to putting on the annual Delta Kappa Gamma craft show. All 40 members of the Gamma Gamma branch of the international organization are volunteering their time to prepare for the Oct. 16 event at West Middle School in Plymouth.

According to Bev Brooks, it takes hours of work just to organize the nearly 70 crafters who make jewelry, American Girl doll clothes, dog accessories, seasonal soft sculptures, soy candles, and knit and crochet items.

Gamma Gamma members are always looking for ways to support young women pursuing degrees in education. All profits go to scholarships for seniors graduating from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

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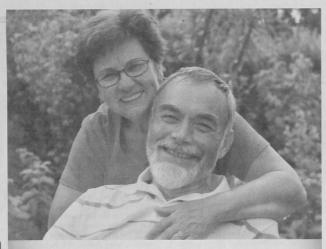
Members of Gamma
Gamma have devoted their
lives to education and are cur
rently retired or still working
in schools.

International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. Women from Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, and Northville are part of the local branch. Brooks was a speech pathologist who worked in special education then as an administrator for 30 years in Wayne-Westland Schools.

"We're always trying to provide the opportunity for growth," said Brooks of Livonia." We currently have 5 students we're giving scholarships at college level. We maintain them for five-years, try to mentor them by sending cards and cookies. Some of them work at the craft show."

Visitors to the show have the chance to speak with students and see how their \$2 admission is being spent. The event raises between \$9,000 and \$11,000 annually from booth rental fees, sales at food concessions and drawings. This year's prizes include a handmade Amish quilt, four box seat tickets to a Detroit Tigers game, golf for four on the Golden Fox Course at Fox Hills, and an airplane ride over the Wayne County area.

This is the 26th year for the craft show. Over the years Gamma Gamma has not only provided scholarships but supported organizations such as First Step and the Salvation Army.



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State House

Heise's broad experience good for 20th District



Incumbent Democrat Marc Corriveau's decision not to seek re-election has prompted a race for the open seat in the 20th State House District between Kurt Heise of Plymouth Township and veteran Northville Public Schools school board member Joan Wadsworth.

It is a race that will remain close and interesting right through the Nov. 2 general election.

Democrat Wadsworth, a community activist and 16-year member of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education, was the director of noncredit programs for American University. She chaired Northville's Downtown Steering Committee, sat on the board of the Northville Downtown Development Authority and the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Wadsworth is a quality candidate who has done an excellent job for Northville Public Schools. But we believe Republican Heise has broader, more varied experience that may be beneficial in working with the new state legislature.

Heise is a municipal, environmental and labor attorney at Hemming, Polaczyk, Cronin, Smith, Withoff Bennett in Plymouth. He is a former director of the Wayne County Department of Environment in the Ficano Administration. Heise lost that job when County Executive Robert Ticino shuffled departments last year.

Heise has also been executive assistant to the mayor of Dearborn Heights, he's had experience drafting state and local laws and he's an adjunct professor at both University of Michigan-Dearborn and Wayne State University. In addition, he has consulted with Wayne State's School of Civil Environmental Engineering as well as public and private clients.

Heise is a candidate who will provide something voters want — lawmakers of both parties finding centrist ideas and working together. His work with Democrat Ficano shows his willingness and ability to do just that.

Heise believes lawmakers should cut business taxes, streamline regulations, stabilize public education funding, make structural reforms to reduce the cost of government and trim the budget in order to point Michigan toward economic growth — a litany

ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS



• In response to "Plymouth-Canton board denies Fiegel extension,

board denies Fiegel extension,

"Isn't Gonzalez's statement telling? "I made a decision two years ago, and I've stuck with it," ... nice that she's kept an open mind through all this, isn't it? Fiegel isn't perfect, but surely they knew they weren't hiring another Jim Ryan. With so many administrators leaving soon, we need some continuity and stability, and we certainly can't afford the \$\$ for another search (and really, who is going to want to come here?). The next board election can't come soon enough ... hopefully Mardigian and her cronies won't have their "contracts" extended anymore, either!"

kah2o

"Ineffective by who's standards? This board apparently has problems with many people. You say he's never there, other teachers say he is there. In a word, YES, they should keep someone and work with the concerns. Right now, the board's main beef is that he doesn't ask for their permission or input....EGO!"

kraymer!

"Livonia's super makes less than 150K and is look-g for a raise. He may be looking to PCCS." onewestsider

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Would you mind not getting mail delivered on Saturday if it would help the U.S. Postal Service cut its costs?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library



"No, I would not mind." Holly Schmude



"I believe Saturday mail is really important to us. We have kids, and a lot of the commercial shopping (fliers) come in the Saturday mail."

Lan Mo-Wang



'I wouldn't mind.' Venky Lakshmanan



"I could probably live without it. I enjoy getting mail on Saturday but I could sacrifice it."

Nicole Monahan

LETTERS

Color-leaf system ineffective

Locating addresses is a problem solved long ago for postal and emergency response purposes. The old system of numbered addresses gives both general and specific location. The growing use of GPS navigation devices makes this old system even more effective. If the effort being applied to the color-leaf

system were instead used to advertise with proper addresses and to post address numbers where they could be seen easily, both shoppers and businesses would be far better served.

tter served.

John Williams

Democrat claptrap

During the week of Sept. 27, just in time for voters to return their absentee ballots, the "democratic" party mailed a glossy postcard, replete with lies, about Patrick Colbeck to seniors in the 7th District. The lies were that Patrick was backed by

organizations that want to eliminate Social Security and require seniors to deal with pri-vate insurance companies regarding Medicare. Interestingly, the fact-check address contained on the face of the mailer directed us to an objective website that recommended Patrick for state senator.

The mailer utterly failed to identify those

for state senator.

The mailer utterly failed to identify those "friends or organizations." This is a typical trick used by the "dems" when they can't seem to come up with a positive program for consideration by the voter. Consider that a state senator cannot influence either Social Security or Medicare because they are both federal programs controlled in Washington.

In the same week, on Sept. 30, a minion of the "dems," Kristen Farmer, had submitted a so-called opinion about Patrick Colbeck. It ended with the proposition that Patrick was, somehow, "toeing the party line." Interestingly, she offered political opinions without identifying herself as an agent of the "democrats." Therefore, I will identify her. If one Googles Plymouth Democratic Club, the first item contains a calendar of events for that organization, followed by a listing of club trustees. Lo and behold, therein, we find the name of Ms. Farmer.

Farmer points out that Patrick received a political donation from Mike Bishop, current state Senate majority leader. However, she failed to point out that when Patrick is elected and begins to serve in Lansing, Mr. Bishop, who is term-limited, will not be serving in the Senate in any capacity. Consequently, her claim of Patrick's going along with the majority leader is spurious. In speaking with Mr. Colbeck about Mr. Bishop's donation, I was told that the only request that Bishop had of Patrick was to get Michigan back to work!

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Farmer next claims that "upon further evaluation" (hers only) of Colbeck's finance report, he is a poster boy for special interests. Ironically, she does not present to the reader either data or logical reasons for the "evaluation." She leaves all to the imagination of the readers. As Ronald Reagan often said, in face of such claptrap, "THERE SHE GOES AGAIN!" If you are interested in knowing what Patrick Colbeck stands for I direct you to his website at www.fixingmichigan.com.

Finally, I wonder why Ms. Farmer did

at www.fixingmichigan.com.
Finally, I wonder why Ms. Farmer did
not, in discussing financial reports, point
out that the Democratic hopeful, by
accepting money from the UAW, United
Steel Workers, Teamsters, AFSCME,
Building Trades Union, Operating Engineers
Union and other unions, as well as the
Michigan Trial Lawyers Association, must
be a poster person for those special inter-

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Decision short-sighted

I believe that the 4-3 decision by the Board of Education not to renew the contract of Dr. Craig Fiegel was a poor and short-sighted one The reasons given by board members in the article on the matter were vague and non-specific. I see no compelling reason for the

The district is doing well, especially considering the economic times. Why should we sho Dr. Fiegel the door? What leader will want to take a chance on the revolving door culture.

Janelle Hanser

Extend Fiegel

Extend Fiegel

I believe strongly that the superindent's contract should be extended. As a 30-year resident of Plymouth, I believe he has done an excellent job and much has been accomplished. It is very difficult to find high-quality experienced educators have under attark single with high-pressure fallways under attark single. such high-pressure/always under attack supe intendent positions today. Enough with the swinging door of leadership in PCCS. I think the board is engaging in petty poli-

tics and the "no" voters (three of whom I voted for) will not receive my support in the future. Pamela Lemerand

School board decision

Given the self-serving positions frequently taken by some members of PCCS's school board, it's not altogether suprising that a minimum majority voted against renewing Craig Fiegel's contract.

It is a disappointing outcome nonetheless.
It seems that these four board members are satisfied with nothing short of perfection and now find themselves in the unenviable position of searching for and hiring yet another super-intendent. What a sham(e).

Kevin Eyster

Dereliction of duty

In reference to the Thursday, Sept. 30, front page article, "Canton votes for tax hike," specifically the reasoning mentioned for police and fire services: the Canton Fire Marshal, Frank Barrett, is presently failing to perform his duties now and he wants a raise?

I do not know what his salary is, but I'm quite certain he makes a nice living while not enforcing the current city ordinance regarding gas grills on balconies at apartments and condo complexes. Just take a look around this nice community of Canton and pay just a little attention, people, and you will see numerous violations which present serious risk to those in the immediate vicinity.

I find it ironic and almost laughable that Trustee John Anthony is quoted as saying "it's a matter of survival" regarding the huge tax hikes. There is a city ordinance being blatantly ignored by the fire department, apartment complexes along with property management firms at condo assocations. This is an issue that will result in serious liability if a fire occurs. Think about it, if someone dies due to the laziness of people in positions of authority, there will be plenty to discuss.

I have been fighting with the Bedford Villas condo board and Pasco property management for 18 months about gas grills on balconies. I have also spoken with the Canton fire marshal a few times, yet nothing seems to change. I wonder why no one in a position to do something about this dangerous situation has taken any initiative to act, especially after a occerned citizen like me has brought the matter to ther attention.

Apparently the public safety does not appear to be a high priority, or maybe some people need to start taking their jobs more seriously. Whatever the excuse is, it really won't be acceptable if a person or people lose their life just because someone simply failed to do their job and focusing on cost cutting, do more with less. Careeer politicians are a scary thing, Do not re-elect anyone, vote them out, term limits by the power of the neadle.

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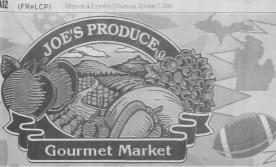


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SECTION B

THURSDAY, October 7, 2010

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Division title awaits winner

Last Friday, two football games were played at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park — with the home teams each racking up 48 points.
Canton smoked Livonia Churchill, 48-7, on the junior varsity field, clinching an automatic Michigan — PREVIEW — High School Athletic Association playoff berth with the team's sixth victory of 2010. Over at the varsity turf field, amid homecoming festivities, Plymouth's Wildcats (5-1) put a 48-0 hurting on Westland John Glenn.
Now comes two campus teams on a

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Canton quarterback Ben Merbler (No. 3) looks to keep his team's motor running against the



Getting their KLAA South dual meet started Tuesday at Cass Benton Park are the Plymouth and Canton boys cross country teams.

Rivals each settle for one win

Canton and Plymouth got together Tuesday for their annual cross country dual meet at Cass Benton Park and each school left with one victory and one defeat for the day. The Plymouth boys cross country squad got off to a fast start and featured pack running in a 21-38 win over the Chiefs.

Meanwhile, Canton's girls harriers grabbed a 25-33 win.
Plymouth standout Joe Porcari, just as he did at Saturday's Legends. Invitational, took the top position with a time of 16 minutes, 43 seconds, with teammate Derek Gielarowski's 16:56 good for the No. 2 spot. They maintained a solid edge over Canton's top runners, Mitch Clinton (third, 17:22) and Miles Felton (fourth, 17:45).

"Joe and Derek got out from the start and didn't look back," Wildcats head coach Jon Mikosz said. "To be able to break 17 minutes at Cass without anyone pushing you is pretty impressive."

Plymouth — which Saturday will look to make it a three-peat at the



Maintaining a steady pace Tuesday is Canton's Bianca Kubicki.

Wayne County Invitational — ben-efited from having a strong group-ing of runners to keep the heat on Clinton and Felton. Those included Brandon Dalton (fith, 17.31), Jimmy Maciag (sixth, 17.36) and Liam Cardenas (sev-

enth, 17:39). Deadlocked in eighth place with a time of 17:45 each were Plymouth's Justin Heck and Canton's Bradon Conley.
Rounding out the list of finishers were Plymouth's Nick Eiben (10th, 17:48) and Canton's Keegan Sullivan (11th, 18:00). Tom Walkinshaw (12th, 18:15). Jeff Molchan (13th, 18:36) and Zach Cox (14th, 18:37). "Brandon, Jimmy and Liam ran great as a pack," Mikosz said. 'Brandon had a great kick at the end and almost got Miles (Felton) at the line. "Justin Heck is starting to run consistently well and Nick Eiben is right up with him. I am extremely proud of this team and the way they have been stepping it up when I ask

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Driven to succeed

Plymouth 1-2 punch in sync as pals, teammates

One could be a majestic tee shot and the other a well-struck drive off the fairway toward the green. Put them together, and it spells another par or birdie — sheer excel-

par or birdie — sheer excel-lence.

Just as complementary
are Plymouth varsity golfers
Kelsey Murphy and Sarah
Thompson, two very skilled
players and best buddies who
don't take anything for granted — even the low numbers
they typically write on their
team scorecard.

"Sarah is my best friend and
we spend a lot of time together
hanging out at the course and
at each other's houses," said
the 15-year-old Murphy, now
a sophomore. "We spend a lot
of time practicing together
and we push each other to get
better."

Concurring was freshman

TIRELESS EFFORT

TIRELESS EFFORT
The Plymouth 1-2 punch
also could very well represent
a bucket of balls at the driving range — because their
continuing success is not by
accident.
"They put in a lot of hours
beyond what we already practice," Wildcats girls golf coach
Chris Moore said. "They're
there before we practice,
they're there after we practice,
they're practicing on the weekends.

Murphy (who eise? took med-alist honors with an 18-hole total of 74.

Thompson tallied a respect-able 88 at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton, posting Plymouth's second-best score.
The Wildcats finished fourth in the team standings.

On Thursday, both will look to enjoy big days at the Division 1 regional at Tanglewood.

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state tournament for sure. She' playing solid, solid golf."

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SIDELINES

He's No. 1



Kensington Conference champion.

The triumph took place Tuesday in Novi; the tournament was originally scheduled for Saturday; but was postponed due to rain.

Plymouth head coach Tom Kimball said his team is perhaps headed for a three-way tie for third place with Canton and Salem. Final matches weren't to have taken place until Wednesday, after this issue of the Observer went to press.

Salem grid fund-raiser

Salem grid fund-raiser

A fund-raiser for the Salem football program takes place Saturday at the Plymouth Eliks Lodge No. 1780. Proceeds from Saturday's Michigan-MSU Sibling Rivalry Game Party will go to the football team.

There will be big-screen TVs, food, drinks, cash bar, auction, raffles and door prizes – not to mention a lot of football fun. Tickets are \$12 each, good for food and one drink. Contact [girar dot qmail.com or football.salem rocks@gmail.com or football.salem rocks@gmail.com in the party gets going at 2:30 p.m. with the opening kickoff slated for 3:30 p.m. Only persons age 21 or older can attend. Plymouth Eliks Lodge is located at 41700 Am Arbor Road E., between Mill Street and Haggerty Road. Checks should be made payable to "Salem Linebackers."

Canton kickers romp

Phil Baciak, Dan Ovesea and Scott Piwowar each scored two goals Tuesday to spark Canton's varsity boys soccer team to a 9-1 victory over Livonia Franklin.

The Chiefs (13-2-2 overall, 7-1-1 in the KLAA South) also received single tallies from Garrett Derian-Toth, Shean Krolicki and Bobby Budlong. Contributing two assists each were Ovesea and Piwowar, with Bryan Ren chipping in with three.

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Salem nabs Ida tourney

play.
Strong performance: were registered by Nicole Merget (61 kills, 36 digs, 13

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Porcari first, keys Plymouth harriers

The evidence is in, according to Plymouth varsity boys cross country coach Jon Mikosz: senior Joe Porcari is among the best runners in Michigan. Porcari placed first overall at Saturday's Ypsilanti Legends Invitational at Huron Meadows Metropark in Brighton.

The Wildcat's time of 16-minutes, 05.56-seconds to complete the 5,000-meter run easily outdistanced the runnerup, Saline's Nicholas Renberg (1617,11) and sparked the Wildcats to a third-place finish with 66 points.

"Joe showed that he is one of the top runners in the state today," Mikoz said.

Augmenting Porcari was junior Derek Gielarowski, the fifth-place finisher (16:27.53).

"Derek ran a smart race and had a top-5 finish against some good runners and teams," Mikoz added.

The top two teams out of 12 participants were Saline and Northville, with 44 and 52 points, respectively.

"The guys ran great and I think just about everyone on the team ran a PR," he continued.

Also having an excellent day was the fourth-place team, Canton, with 75 points.

Cracking the Top-10 individually was Canton junior



Celebrating their third-place finish at Saturday's Ypsilanti Legends Invitational in Brighton is the Plymouth boys cross country team. Leading the Wildcats to their trophy was senior Joe Porcari, who placed first overall.

Miles Felton, with a mark of 16:33,73. Mitch Clinton, a junior for the Chiefs, finished 12th with a time of 16:45.86.
"Miles ran a season best," said Canton coach Bill Boyd.
"Mitch, Keegan (Sullivan) and Zach (Cox) ran career best times. Great all-around effort led to the excellent finish."
Following is the complete individual results for Plymouth and Canton:
PLYMOUTH: 1. Porcari, 16:05.56; 5. Gielarowski, 16:27.53; 25. Brandon Dalton, sophomore, 17:10.39; 26. Liam Cardenas, freshman, 17:10.62; 35. James Maciag, junior, 17:23.39; 37. Max Rogowski, fr., 17:26.53; 45. Nicholas

Eiben, jr., 17:41.78; 46. Justin Heck, sr., 17:42.22; 53. Evan Johnson, jr., 17:49.62; 72. Paul Ryan, sr., 18:29.05.
CANTON: 6. Felton, 16:33.73; 12. Clinton, 16:45.86; 28. Braden Conley, jr., 17:14.27; 34. Keegan Sullivan, sr., 17:23.02; 54. Zach Cox, jr., 17:51.47; 55. Jeff Molchen, jr., 17:52.08; 56. Tom Walkinshaw, fr., 17:52.75; 69. Kurt Kowalski, jr., 18:11.88; 75. Andrew Stephens, soph., 18:41.30; 77. Alex Krul, jr., 18:48.56.
Top-5 Teams: 1. Saline, 44

Jr., 18:48.56.

Top-5 Teams: 1. Saline, 44
points; 2. Northville, 52; 3.
Plymouth, 66; 4. Canton, 75; 5
Whitmore Lake, n/a.

Rocks stay on course

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As miserable as the weather was at Saturday's Haslett Invitational, performances by Salem's and Plymouth's girls cross country teams were pretty marvelous.

The Rocks topped the 23-team field with 56 points — well in front of East Grand Rapids (117) and East Lansing (119) — and boasted four runners in the top-12.

Freshman Kayla Kavulich took third out of 156 runners with a mark of 19-minutes, 17-seconds with teammates Victoria Tripp (6th, 19:39), Shannon Flynn (10th, 19:52) and Adrianna Beltran (124, 20:02) all enjoying strong 20:02) all enjoying strong

20:02) all enjoying strong outings.
"If you looked at the conditions, it was very cold, windy, and just driving rain and the (PCEP campus) course was extremely muddy," said Salem head coach Dave Gerlach. "The kids didn't let it bother them.
"I told them how proud I was that I didn't hear any complaining or whining, they just went out and com-



peted."

Other Salem finishers included the following: Alejandra Beltran, 25th, 20:09; Kara Booms, 37th, 20:09; Kara Booms, 37th, 20:48; Emily Bizon, 40th, 20:51; Natasha Stevenson, 1st-JV, 21:13; Madison Goodpasture, 3rd-JV, 21:18; Amanda Beyer, 4th-JV, 21:23; Autumn Burin, 5th-JV, 21:25; Phoebe VanHoof, 9th-JV, 21:43.

As for the Wildcats, they came in eighth overall (235 points) and featured ninth-place finisher Brianna Lax with a time of 19:47.

STEPPING STONE

Next in line for Plymouth
was Nicole Traitses, with a
30th-place finish of 20:26.

Their times could have
been better had conditions
been better.

According to Plymouth
head coach Mary Kerwin,
the bad weather and slick
course did slow down the
athletes

pretty muddy," Kerwin said. "It's unfortunate because it is generally a fast course, but the times were down by 30

is generally a fast course, but the times were down by 30 to 40 seconds."

Still, Lax finished just one second off her personal best while Traitses 'had a good showing considering the conditions."

Other Plymouth finishers included the following: Britta Swanson, 57th, 21:23; Sophie Roberts, 61st, 21:32; Marina DeBiasi, 78th, 22:02; Julie Hahn, 86th, 22:02; Julie Hahn, 86th, 22:07; Julie Hahn, 86th, 22:07; Julie Hahn, 86th, 22:08; Julie Hahn, 86th, 22:08; Julie Hahn, 86th, 22:09; Julie Hahn, 86th, 22:00; Julie Hahn,

Salem's march continues

A couple weeks ago, Salem's girls cross country team took care of one threat to winning the KLAA Central by defeating Northville.

Tuesday, the Rocks handled the other contender, Novi, with a 25-34 triumph at Willow Metropark.

Salem now takes a 4-0 record in the division into next Tuesday's dual meet against South Lyon at Island Lake Recreational Area. The Rocks will tune up Saturday at the Wayne County Invitational.

"We have South Lyon next Tuesday at Island Lake, and if we beat them we're divi-

thrilled."
Of course, winning the Central would just be the next step in what Gerlach and the team hopes will be a long, successful postseason march.
'Our big thing is to make it back to the state finals," he explained, "but we want to see if we can win back-to-back conference championships as well."
Novi's Jackie Mullins actu-

well."
Novi's Jackie Mullins actually finished first on Tuesday with a mark of 18-minutes, 55.8-seconds.

But Salem freshman Kayla

Kavulich continued her outstanding rookie season with a second-place finish of 19:01.5.

The Rocks' Tori Tripp (19:42.1), Shannon Flynn (19:51.0) and Adrianna Beltran (20:05.7) grabbed spots 4-6, with Novi's Kerri McMahon in third with a time of 19:13.1.

Salem's Alejandra Beltran (9th, 20:17.9), Kara Booms (10th, 20:32.5), Madison (10th, 20:32.5), Madison Goodpasture (11th, 20:32.8), Natuasha Stevenson (13th, 20:39.8), Autumn Burin (16th, 21:05.9) and Amanda Beyer (17th, 21:09.9) also chipped in for the Rocks.

RIVALS

Taking third was the Wildcats' Nicole Traitses (20:17), nipping fourth-place Rachel Rohrbach of Canton

Ready to begin their dual meet Tuesday at Cass Benton Park in Northville are r girls cross country teams.

22:01) and Abigail Gorzalski (minth, 22:03) provided a bit of a pack for the Chiefs, with Emily Southern's 22:22 good for 11th overall. "It's a big rivalry for both schools," Chiefs head coach Eric Pahl said." It think we were able to pull it out with our third through sixth run-ners.

ishers were Julie Hahn (10th, 22:15), Jessica Scarpello (13th 22:30), Jordyn Strahm (14th, 22:35) and Sophie Roberts

PUBLIC

Steelers strong in Week 3

action:
VARSITY: The P-C Steelers
varsity squad earned a hardfought 22-21 victory over the
Westland Comets, 22-21.
The Steelers offense was
led by quarterback Gregory
Williams, who scored two
touchdowns with short runs as
well as scoring on an intercep-

touchdowns with short runs as well as scoring on an interception return.

Devin Cameron stepped up to help the offense with his extra point run, while Johnny Perko caught a pass to score the game winning extra point. Sean Bitgood had a great game defensively for the Steelers, with a key hit for loss of yardage, while Johnny Perko had the game saving tackle in the final minutes to insure a Steeler victory.

Benny Smyth led the O-line, with key blocks that opened huge holes for the Steelers RB's.

QB Alex Nicholson completed a long pass to Christian Pearson, which resulted in a long 79 yd. TD for the Steelers Matthew Poet made bis debut, playing strong on both sides of the ball. Ryan Bogdanski had a stellar day on defense, showcasing his strong open field tackling skills while preventing a Comet TD and leading the Steelers to their first shutout of the season.

FRESHMAN: A hard-fought contest finished with the Steelers winning 34-21.
Sparking the Steeler attack was Billy Flohr with a pair of TD's (one via the pass the other via the run). Luke Fisher did a great job blocking on the Gold Offensive line, and Parker Shelby added three extra points as well as a two-point conversion run.

On D, Chase Cunningham played hard-nosed both at tackle and middle linebacker while Joseph Vespaziani recovered a Comet fumble to help

propel the Steelers' momentum towards another win.

JUNIOR FRESHMAN: The youngest Steelers team learned a valuable lesson against the Westland Comets during their matchup at John Glenn High School — although pre-season workouts and conditioning can be grueling, hard work eventually pays dividends when the game's on the line.

Due to two quick Steeler drives resulting in long touchdown runs by Logan Walkley and several time consuming drives by the Comets, the Steeler D found themselves on the field for 30 plays in the first half. Remarkably, the Steeler Curtain refused to surrender a touchdown, and this bend-but-not-break display set the tone for the rest of the contest.

Offensively, the Steelers were led by linemen Garret Geyer, Karanveer Singh and Cole Moyer, who combined to create gaping holes for the Steelers' backs (Walkley, Kegan Witczak, Montana Montgomery, Zachary Kubacki) to run for big yardage.

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Wildlet's Fillik-Oult
The Plymouth Whalers of the Ontario Hockey League
will hold their third annual Pink Out! for Breast Cancer
Awareness, Saturday, Oct. 16 (the Whalers host Windsor
at 7 p.m. at Compuware).
To mark the special night, the Whalers' players will
wear pink jerseys and pink hair. They'll jet their colorful dos beginning Wednesday at Lucky Hair Co., 45251
Cherry Hill in Canton.
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Arena in the days leading up to the Plymouth-Windsor
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Tim Smith



Chipping toward the hole is Canton's Paige Osler, during Tuesday's KLAA Kensington Conference meet at Pheasant Run Golf Club.

Novi tops KLAA field

This time it was Novi's turn to stay atop the podium. In Tuesday's KLAA
Kensington Conference Girls
Golf Tournament at Canton's
Pheasant Run, the Wildcats,
who shared the KLAA Central
Division dual match title with
rival Northville (both with 91 records), placed four in the
top ten en route to a 13-stroke
victory over the Mustangs,
336-349.
Livonia Churchill placed

victory over the Mustangs, 336-349.

Livonia Churchill placed third with a season-best 373 and KLAA South champion Plymouth, behind individual medalist Kelsey Murphy's 74, took fourth with a 375. Canton's 412 total was good for eighth.

Megan Henry led Novi with a 78 to earn runner-up medalist honors behind Murphy. She was followed by teammates Kathleen Koomen, fifth (84), Victoria Tomkinson, seventh (85); and Brooke Collins, ninth (89).

All six of Northville's placed in the top 18 to earn All-Conference honors led by Jackie Kjolhede, third (81); Camilla Zhao, fifth (84); Emily

Foland, 12th (91); Brianna Roberts, 14th (93); Stephanie Sakorafis and Lauren Grigg, tied for 17th (94 each). Churchill got a boast from junior Jordyn Shepler, who took fourth individually with an 82

junior Jordyn Shepler, who took fourth individually with an 82.
Churchill's Nicole Kruse also made All-Conference honors in 17th with a 94. Jackie Burdette followed in 21st with a 95 and Maggie McGowan shot a 102 to take 30th. Other All-Conference honorees included Sarah Thompson (Plymouth), eighth, 88; Danielle Godair (South Lyon) and Becca Bubenheimer (Livonia Stevenson), 90 each; Elena Moore (South Lyon East), 13th, 92; Natalie Zaguroli (South Lyon) and Paige Osler (Canton), tied for 14th, 93 each; Taylor Jones (South Lyon East), 17th, 94.
The Division 1 regional will be Thursday at Tanglewood G.C. with No. 2-ranked Grosse Pointe South, No. 9 Northville (the host) and Novi as the favorites to advance to the state finals, Oct. 15-16, at Michigan State University's Forest Akers (West Course) in East Lansing.

Whalers hit the road

back on track with a trio of road contests beginning Thursday at Peterborough. Plymouth (1-3-0-1) fell 3-2 to Saginaw, getting last week-end off to a slow start. A goal by Vincent Trocheck late in the middle stanza put the Spirit (3-1-0-0) in front and the Whalers, despite the first two Ontario Hockey League goals of Rickard Rakell's career, could not catch up.

up.
Saturday's tilt was more of
an offensive show, with the
Wolves parlaying two goals

each by Marcus Foligno, Kristoff Kontos and Mike Lomas to their first victory of the season after three defeats. Stefan Noesen led the Plymouth attack with his first two goals of the year and assisted on another, earning selection as the game's second star.

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Captain Tyler Brown registered four assists while the other Plymouth goals were collected by Swedish import Rakell and Peter Neal.

The Whalers actually led 2-0 in the first on goals by Noesen and Neal (celebrating his 18th birthday), but Sudbut then scored five unanswered markers.

PREP GRID PICKS

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PREVIEW

Both teams are 4-0 in the division and whoever emerges with the W will be KLAA South champion.

"We're going to find out (how tough Plymouth is)," Canton head coach Tim Baechler said. "They look very good on film."

Baechler's Plymouth counterpart, Mike Sawchuk, would like nothing more than for the Wildcats to defeat Canton and in the process collect their sixth win and playoff spot.

"It's a tough task," Sawchuk said when asked about needing to get past the Chiefs for that all-important sixth victory. "They're the team to beat in the whole KLAA.

"They've got athletes all over the field. So we're going to prepare for them and come in fighting."

MAKING THEIR POINTS

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Since student-athletes from
Canton and Plymouth (as
well as Salem) attend classes
together, so-called trash talk
might be taken to another level
this week as the days dwindle
down to the big game.
But the Chiefs won't be able
to brag about their offensive
exploits (279 total points) to
any Wildcats they see.
That's because Plymouth's
offense is almost as prolific,
scoring 239 points.
The Wildcats, featuring the
surefire combo of quarterback Shaun Austin to senior
wideout Brennen Beyer, plus



razzle-dazzle runners Donte Fox, Victor Hicks and Jerell Jenkins, can put points up fast and furious, just like Canton. In fact, Plymouth scored 68 points against Wayne Memorial, more than the Chiefs could manage Sept. 17

in a 53-0 win over the Zebras.
According to Baechler,
defeating Plymouth would
take care of another box on the
2010 season's check list.
"Yeah, we're already in the
playoffs," Baechler said. "But
we want to win the division,

we want to win the league championship. ... It would be a big win, no question."
Meanwhile, the Chiefs play offense with the sharp precision of a surgeon and keep defenses always guessing about who actually is carrying the football.
Quarterback Ben Merbler

the football.

Quarterback Ben Merbler can dish it off to any number of backs, including Davion Stackhouse, Kevin Buford, Zac Merillat and Ryan Jones.

Merbler also has the option of hitting one of those players out of the backfield (along with tight ends Angelo Lanava and Garrett Bryden) and watching as them turn short gaines into highlight reel TDs.

Both teams can be punishing on defense and special teams, too, leaving little room for error.

Plymouth would have the edge should the game come down to a field goal, with Notre Dame-bound kicker Kyle Brindza able to easily split the uprights from more than 50 yards.

But Baechler emphasized that, although players might "get caught up in that (rivalry) stuff" the bottom line is to go out and get the job done.

"It's about playing well the next game, making sure we're doing what we're supposed to do," he said. "We've got to keep doing what we've been doing, make it difficult for them to run the football.

"We've got to make big plays." There should be plenty of those Friday night. Whoever makes the most will leave the field with a win — and a division title.

TEAMMATES

Her play is good enough where she'd be considered the No. 1 golfer "on almost any other team in our conference, the way she plays," Moore added.

added.
The coach also smiles when asked about whether the combo's tireless quest for success (and college golf scholarships) is rubbing off on his other golf

(and college golf scholarships) is rubbing off on his other golfers.

"Yeah, we have several (others) that have stepped it up this year practice-wise," Moore said. "These guys lead by example and the other girls want to practice a little bit more, kind of get that drive to be better. "They see what it takes to be better. It's been good, it's been pretty contagious." Murphy and Thompson aren't just best friends who hit the books as well as any Titleist (with a grade-point average of 4.0 and 3.8, respectively). They work with the same coach to hone their swing and hit the summer tournament circuit. "The more you play, the better you handle the pressure of playing tournaments,"



Plymouth freshman Sarah Thompson (left) and sophomore Kelsey Murphy practice — in unison — on their putting recently before a dual match at Hilltop Golf Course.

said Murphy, medalist at the recent Franklin, Bedford and Birmingham invites (among other wins). They both want to be part of prep golf championships, make the All-State Academic

SETTING THEIR GOALS

"I would love to play golf at a Division I college," Murphy said. "I plan to enter the nursing program and hope to work as a nurse anesthetist at a children's hospital.

"Including college, I only have six more years of playing competitive golf, so every match and tournament is very important. I hope to enjoy this as much as possible."

Having a similar passion and purpose is Thompson, who recently won the Junior PGA summer tourney and finished third out of 120 golfers at the Bedfard Invitational with a personal best of 82.

"If I am given the opportunity to play in college, I would love to," she said. "I am trying my hardest to get better and hopefully get a scholarship."

If she keeps hanging out with Murphy, that's a pretty good bet to happen.
"I want Sarah to have the same success that I have had and I believe she will," added Murphy, who usually is right on the money with whatever she puts her mind to.

Her best pal isn't too far from reaching that distinction. In fact, both girls already are aces in anybody's book.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Schoolcraft College announces that the financial audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, has been completed by Plante & Moran, LLP, Southfield, Michigan It has been presented to the College Board of Trustees and has been accepted by them.





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Brad Sherrill is on a U.S. tour with his multimedia program, "Prophets." He'll be at Kirk in the Hills in Bloomfield Hills Saturday. Oct. 16.

RELIGION CALENDAR

OCT 7-13

Angels program
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Thursday,

October / Location: St. Aidan Parjsh, Bixman Hall, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia Details: David J. Conrad, M.A.

theology, investigates the reality of angels. Discover how angels operate and are distinctly differ-

Contact: RSVP to (734) 425-5950

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Baseball story
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 11
Location: Beautiful Savior
Lutheran Church, 5631 North
Adams Road, Bloomfield Hills
Details: Former Detroit Tiger
player, Frank Tanana, and his
wife, Cathy, will present "Riches
Beyond the Diamond," the story
of their journey through baseball
life. A dinner will be held at 6 p.m.
Advance dinner and program res-Me. A difficit will be field at 5 p.m. Advance dinner and program reservations are \$10; \$12 at the door Contact: (248) 646-5041 or e-majmcmichael@bslcmi.org for more information or to reserve for din-

Book study Time/Date: 9-10:30 a.m. Saturday

Ime/Date: 9-10:30 a.m. Saturday through Nov. 13 Location: Grand Traverse Pie Co., 41640 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Details: Living Peace Church presents a study of Harvey Cox' book, The Future of Faith. The church meets for fellowship and worship. meets for fellowship and worship at 10 a.m. Sunday mornings at Field Elementary School, 1000 S. Haggerty in Canton Contact: (734) 233-1466 or e-mail

Cantor honored

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 9 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10 Location: Temple Shir Shalom, 3999 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield

Details: Two programs honor

Cantor Penny Steyer for her 20

years service to the temple. Saturday event includes hors d'ouvres and desserts, along with a musical tribute by seven perform-ers and two choirs; Sunday event is a concert by Opus Two, a duo, playing music by Leonard Bernstein. Student admission on Sunday is \$10; adult admission each day, \$36 Contact: (248) 737-8700

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 10 and 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Oct

Location: Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill,

Westland
Details: Rev. Jimmy Mitchell,
chaplain of the West Virginia State
Police, is the guest speaker. He
spoke at the memorial service for
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CHAMBER CHAT



Grand opening

A ribbon cutting was held Wednesday, Sept. 22, by Michigan Institute Aviation Technology to announce their grand opening. Michigan Institute Aviation Technology is located at 2955 Haggerty in Canton. Attending this event were employees, Canton Chamber of Commerce members, Canton Township officials and local residents.

Birthday bash

Showroom of Elegance celebrates a "Diamond Decade Birthday Bash" 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, at its Canton location at 6018 Canton Center Road. Showroom staffers will celebrate 10 years of success with a champagne toast, appetizers, entertainment and prizes.

Arts fund-raiser

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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.

community.
Cost is \$25 per ticket. RSVP to (734) 394-5300.

Ribbon cutting

Sweet Bikes hosts a ribbon-cutting for its grand-opening at noon Friday, Oct. 29. Sweet Bikes is located at 39904 Ford road, on the northwest corner of Ford and

For more information, call the Canton Chamber of Commerce, (734) 453-4040.

Best-kept secret

Canton business employees enjoy a 15-percent discount off the bill with a valid employee identification or Canton Chamber Business Discount card at Rose's Restaurant & Lounge, 201 N. Canton Center, in Canton.

in Canton.
The offer is good 11 a.m. to 3
p.m. Monday through Friday,
with all menu items prepared
daily from Mama Rose's homemade recipes. Rose's features
pasta, steak, ribs, chicken
seafood, sauteed dishes, pizza,
burgers and sandwiches.

Blow-dry boot camp

teach guests how to achieve the perfect blow-dry at home, every time. Guests will receive a shampoo service and then a stylist will observe them while they blow-dry their hair. The stylist will then demonstrate and consult with each guest on how to get the perfect blow-dry at home - including techniques, the right tools, and the correct Redken haircare and styling products to finish the look - all for less than the price of a blowout.

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Refreshments, snacks and products will be provided and Studio I encourages their guests to B.Y.O.B., "Bring you Own Blowdryer."

Cost is \$20. For more information, contact Carol Fedak via e-mail at clfedak@gmail.com or call (734) 844-0040.

Women's health

Women's health

MSA Delivery sponsors
"Women's Health: How to
Survive the Ages, Stages
and Rages," 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 13, at the
Village Theater at Cherry Hill,
50-400 Cherry Hill, in Canton.
"Women's Health: How to
survive the Ages, Stages and
Rages' will be presented by St.
Joseph Mercy Hospital physician Jody Jones. Sponsored
by the Giving Hope Women's
Giving Circle; all community
women are invited to the program which will also include a
social hour and a report on the
Circle's granting initiatives.
A collection of personal care
items such as shampoo and
soap will also be taken and
provided to women in need
through the Open Door Food
Bank.

Cost is \$10 per ticket. Call
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Prayer conference

Prayer in Action" prayer conference is scheduled 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, and 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at Charisma Life Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor in Canton. Lunch and snacks will be included.

To register early go to this link: http://charismalc.org/resources/prayerinaction-regform.pdf. Cost is \$15 for individuals, \$25 per married

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• Temple Prayer - Dr. John Saba has been in ministry for 30 years. He is the founder of John Saba Ministries. He teaches 'Identity' using the Tabernacle of Moses, and is a national speaker, Bible teacher and author.

• Balance in Prayer - Pastor Shane Fritz is the Senior Pastor at Charisma Life Church in Canton. He is on the Board of Directors of Canton Chamber of Commerce, Steering Committee of ITT Technical Institute, the Township Steering Committee of Leadership Canton, Board of Directors of Common Ground Ministries, and Board of Directors of Monte de Santidad missions in Honduras.

• Worship Music led by Art Thomas, CLC worship team.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

IEP workshop

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

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

Exemplary practices

Exemplary practices
E-IT Professionals Corp., has been honored with the 2010 Alfred P. Sloan Award for Business Excellence in Workplace Flexibility. The award recognizes employers of all sizes and types in the state of Michigan and across the country that are using workplace flexibility as a strategy to increase workplace effectiveness and yield positive business results.

"We are thrilled and honored to receive this recognition for our workplace practices and the flexibility everyone enjoys. It really contributed to the success of our organization growth." said Rao P



Winding down

Visitors can enjoy the tastes of the season at the Canton Farmers Market as the regular market draws to a close this month at Preservation Park. The last two markets of the regular season are scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 10 and Sunday, Oct. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 50 O. R. nidge Road in Canton. The market features fresh seasonal fruits, vegetables, flowers and specialty produced arts and crafts and has become a popular Sunday destination in Canton. Management said the market has enjoyed a 50-percent increase in the number of market-goers. Over 30 other vendors will be finishing out the season. For more information on Canton Farmers Market, visit www. cantonfun.org or call (734) 398-5570, Ext 5.

Nalamothu, CEO.

The Alfred P. Sloan Awards for Business Excellence in Workplace Flexibility are part of the national When Work Morks project, an ongoing initiative of Families and Work Institute, the Institute for a Competitive Workforce (an affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce), and the Twiga Foundation. The Michigan Economic Development Corporation and the Detroit Regional Chamber are the official When Work Works partners for the state of Michigan.

"As a recipient of the 2010 Sloan Award, EIT ranks in the top 20% of employers nationally in terms of its programs, policies and culture for creating an effective and flexible workplace," states Ellen Galinsky, president of Families and Work Institute. "In addition, what makes this honor so special is that employees have corroborated this, affirming

Life Improvement contest

Life Improvement contest

IKEA has launched the
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Contest offering one person
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Through Nov. 8, those who are interested can submit their Life Improvement proposal online at www.thelifeimprovementproject.com. Five finalists will be chosen from submissions by a panel of judges, and announced on Dec. 13, 2010.

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



Studio shakes off sluggish economy

After three years of being in business and tripling its client base, Core Sport Pilates Fitness Studio has more than doubled its studio space in downtown Plymouth to enhance course offerings and fulfill increasing demand.

Studio owner Jaime White moved part of the studio's operations to a second space located at 346 S. Main, which is directly above Compari's Restaurant in downtown Plymouth.

To meet demand, White

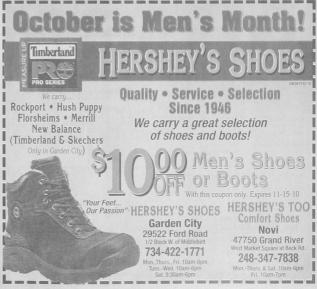
Plymouth.

To meet demand, White said, the second studio space will offer services at reduced rates and will enable a more diversified service portfolio for Core Sport clients. Private

duet and small group exercise sessions will be offered there while the existing space (located at 829 Penniman) will host larger group workout sessions. Some of the new classes offered will be Pilates mat training, TRX Suspension Training through a full body core conditioning class, restorative classes such as Core and Restore which offers a mix of Pilates, yoga and other restorative movements, a Pilates equipment Tower class and a creative movement class for pre-schoolers.

White has also chosen a green approach for the new space by using earth-friendly options such as energy effi-

facilities.
Core Sport's new studio space can be accessed via the back entrance to Compari's where the Compari's take-out window is located. This entrance is also across from the ground floor parking entrance to the downtown Plymouth parking garage.
More information can be found on the studio's website at www.coresportstudio.com.



ENTERTAINMENT

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Beatles, Bob Dylan influence music styles of local songwriters

Expect to hear a lot of original songs when Pennock/Stephens Project performs a reunion show Thursday, Oct. 14, at Blue Fjsh Music in Plymouth's Old Village.

The band that includes Bobby Pennock of Plymouth, Mike Stephens of Wayne and Terry Birkett of Livonia, played together for about a year and a half before taking an extended hiatus to work on individual projects two years ago.

extended hiatus to work on individual projects two years ago.

Pennock, who teaches literacy intervention in Plymouth Canton schools, formed a four-piece band and released 10,000 Stories, a CD of his songs. The band included Birkett, director of collections management at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Stephens continued to host a program called The Open Mike Cafe, first on the Web as a podcast and now from 2-4 p.m. Saturday on WCXI 1160 AM. The show promotes local singer/songwriters and their music.

as a podcast and now from 2-4 p.m. Saturday on WCX1 H60 AM. The show promotes local singer/songwriters and their music.

"We've been apart for two years. Mike invited me to play his radio show last spring and Terry came with me," Pennock said. "We wound up doing songs we had done together and that was nice. We all enjoyed that. Mike doesn't perform live much. He's a mesmerizing performer and that's why I like to play with him. I was looking for a way to do that."

Pennock talked with Paul Murphy, owner of Blue Fish Music and they agreed to a reunion show. It's a free performance that will start at 8 p.m. at Blue Fish, located at gig. It's a free show that will start at 744 Starkweather.

ORIGINAL MUSIC

"We're working on old songs. We're doing one cover tune. The sets are evenly split between my songs and Mike's songs," Pennock said. "It's fun to hear Mike play by



Bobby Pennock of Plymouth is a teacher by day and singer/songwriter by night.



Mike Stephens of Wayne will perform as part of the Pennock/Stephens Project at a one night gig in Plymouth.

himself. He is pretty captivating. He's Leonard Cohen, Bob Dylan and Tom Russell all wrapped

Beatles.

He and Stephens began working on music together in spring 2007 in the basement at Pennock's home.

"How I met Terry was that he was the best Craig's List find ever. Mike and I were playing together and we put in an ad for a guitar player," Pennock recalled. "Terry came in and we've been together at least three years.

Its start wasn't without a few bumps, however. The band was fired from its first gig at a sports bar because it played original tunes and custom-

The experience didn't sour them on live performance. In fact, Pennock sees the Pennock/
Stephens Project as a live performance band
rather than a studio recording group.
'I think we knew we had the songs and the
show we performed was good enough."
Pennock and Stephens also plan a show next
month at Crazy Wisdom Bookstore & Tea Room
in Ann Arbor.
For more information about Blue Fish Music.

in Ann Arbor. For more information about Blue Fish Music call (734) 927-0051. For information about the Crazy Wisdom events schedule, visit cwonline



Terry Birkett of Livonia will perform with Bobby Pennoc of Plymouth and Mike Stephens of Wayne at Blue Fish Music in Plymouth.

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City Gallery Time/Date: Through Oct. 15 Location: Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: Great Lakes Beadworkers show beads with "attitude Contact: (248) 473-1856

Northville Art House Time/Date: Through Oct. 23 Location: 215 W. Cady Stree Details: Figurative juried exhibi

than 60 artists Contact: (248) 344-0497

COMEDY

Go Comedy! Time/Date: Various show times Wednesdays thru Sundays Location: 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale Details: Improv most nights. Open mic/jam session show for improvis-

JD's House of Comedy Time/Date: Various show times
Wednesday-Saturday evenings
Location: 25333 W. 12 Mile, insid.
Star Theatre complex, Southfield
Details: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday: Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday Contact: (248) 348-2420 or www

Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia Time/Date: 8 p.m. Mondays, Open Mic; 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Local Legends; 8 p.m. shows Wednesda Thursdays; 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Location: 36071 Plymouth Road

Details: Steve Brewer, through Oct. 9; Eddie Gossling, Oct. 13-16; Shang, Oct. 20-23; Angel Salazar, Oct. 27-30 Contact: (734) 261-0555, www.kick-

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle Time/Date: John Heffron, Oct. 7-9 Tommy Savitt, Oct. 14-16; Kathleen Madigan, Oct. 21-23; Collin Moulton Oct. 28-30; Dave Attell, Nov. 4-6; Mike Lukas, Nov. 11-13; Lisa Landry, Nov. 18-20; J. Chris Newberg, Location: 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak Contact: (248) 542-9900. www

CONCERTS

Time/Date: Raul Malo and Shannon Whitworth, Oct. 9; Justin Roberts & the Not Ready for Nap Time Players, Oct. 10; Willy Porter &

Location: 316 South Main, Ann

Contact: (734) 763-8587; www.

Baseline Folk Society Time/Date: Third Saturday of the

Location: The JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: Eight "Open-Mic" per-formances plus a featured group perform. Individual membership is \$25 and includes monthly con-certs from September through May. Otherwise, admission to each concert is \$5 at the door. Family memberships are \$50 and include

Contact: (248) 719-3464 or mim

Detroit Institute of Arts

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15 Location: 5200 Woodward Ave Details: George Winston performs

Contact: (313) 833-7900, www.dia

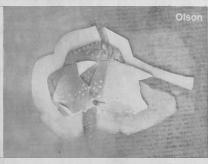
Farmington Player's Barn Theatre Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 22-23 Location: 32332 12 Mile,

Location: 32332 12 Farmington Hills

Petalis: "Three Men and a Tenor"
perform a family-oriented comedy
musical program; S19 for adults an Contact: (248) 473-1848







Works by Schoolcraft College faculty members Ellen Mou oulis, Robert Bielat and Sarah Olson, are on display through Nov. 13 at Art & Ideas in Plymouth Township



Drummer Billy Cobham and his band perform Oct. 10 at Jazz Cafe

Jazz Cafe

Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., Oct

Location: Music Hall, 350 Madison

Ave., perroit

Details: Billy Cobham Band; tickets
\$30 in advance or \$40 at the door

Coming up: Carl Palmer Band interprets the music of Emerson Lake &

Livonia Symphony

Time/Date: 4 p.m., Oct. 9 Location: Louis Schmidt Auditorium, Clarenceville High

Details: Program includes
Tchaikovsky, Mendelssohn,
Beethoven and more; adults, \$20,
students of any age, \$5 and senior
citizens, 60 and over, \$18
Contact: (734) 421-1111; www.livoni

Music Hall

Time/Date: 8 p.m. through Oct. 9 Location: 350 Madison, Detroit Details: "The Merchants of Details: "The Merchants of Bollywood," a dance and music spectacular based on the real-life story of the Merchant family dynasty, whose members have been prominent choreographers and filmmakers since the beginning of the Hindi film industry in the 1920s; tickets are \$25-\$65

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Ticketmaster Outlets or charge by phone at (800) 745-3000

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Time/Date: 8 p.m. Oct. 9 Location: 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills, located on the campus of Detroit Country Day School Details: Julliard String Quarte perform Haydn, Bartok and Brahms tickets are \$43-\$75 Contact: (248) 855-6070

Trinity House Theatre

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Time/Date: Rob Lute with Jo
Serrapere, Oct. 9; Dana Cooper with
Daphne Willis, Oct. 15; Daniel Martin
Moore and Ric Hordinski, Oct. 21;
David Nefesh with Delta Twins,
Oct. 23; Roy Bookbinder, Oct. 29;
Gaslight Square with Joel Palmer,
Annie and Rod Capps, Jim Bizer and
others, Oct. 30 Location: 38840 W.
Six Mile, Livonia Six Mile, Livonia Contact: (734) 464-6302, www

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Bakers Keyboard Lounge

Time/Dates: 2-5 p.m. Sundays Details: Jazz for Kids Program Location: 20510 Livernois Ave

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Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8 and 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday Sunday, Oct. 9-10 Location: 760 Penniman Ave.,

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Three Men and a Tenor perform Oct. 22-23 at the Farmington Players Barn Theater.

Redford Theatre

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Charles H. Wright Time/Date: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday

Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, through

Location: 315 E. Warren Road, Detroit **Details**: Developed by the Smithsonia to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Harlem's Apollo Theater, this multime interviews, the exhibit includes one of-a-kind artifacts, like James Brown's cape and jumpsuit, Michael Jackson's fedora, Louis Armstrong's trumpet, Ella Fitzgerald's dress, Duke Ellington's score for "Black and Tan Fantasy," LL Cool J's jacket and hat, and much more. Admission is \$8 for adults, 13-62, and \$5 for youth, 3-12, and seniors, 62 and över. Members and children 2 and under are admitted free
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Time/Date: 2 p.m., Thursday through

Location: 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield

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Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth
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Barefoot Productions

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Oct. 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 and 2 p.m. Oct. 17 and 24 Location: 240 North Main Street,

Plymouth **Details:** "Mindgame" is a suspense

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Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15-16 and 22-23; 2 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 17 and 24 Location:

Details: "The Caucasian Chalk Circle" by

rtolt Brecht; \$1

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Time/Date: 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday
and Monday, Oct. 11:1 p.m. Wednesday,
Oct. 13: 730 p.m. Sunday; 2 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, through Oct. 16
Location: 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit
Details: "West Side Story," with tickets
5:30-580

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Tickets for the Oct, 16 show of "The Great American Songbook from Tim Pan Alley and Beyond," have sold out and a second performance has been added on Friday, Oct. 15.

The Spotlight Players production will start at 8 pm., at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hills, Canton. Tickets are \$15.

Cabaret night will transform the Biltmore Studio at the Village Theatre into an intimate night club. The Great American Songbook from Tin Pan Alley and Beyond' will feature eight vocalists performing music from Ellington to Loesser, Berlin to Sondheim. The show is directed by Roy Sexton with musical direction and accompaniment by Rebecca Biber and choreography

and additional direction by Lauren London.

"We don't want to tell you everything we'll be performing, because we want you to be surprised by some of the songs we present," Sexton stated. The cast includes Plymouth and Canton residents Cathy Skutch, Rebecca Winder, and Christine Kapusky Moore, Brooklyn's Bruce Hardcastle; Farmington Hills' Matt Cameron; Ann Arbor's Rebecca Biber and Lauren London; and Salme's Roy Sexton.

The Village Theater has free parking is handicap accessible. For tickets call (7;34) 394–5300 or (7;34) 394–5460 or online at www.canton-miorg/villagetheater or at the door. Box office opens one hour before show time.

Parks offer Halloween hike, festival



Costumed critters like this owl will tell their stories at a Halloween hike Oct. 22 at Nankin Mill in Westland.

Wayne County Parks will offer a free afternoon of games and activities, including hayrides, inflatables, costume parade, games and trick-ortreating, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16 at Nankin Mills Interpretive Center, located on Hines Drive east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland.
Magician Ben Spitzer will perform and Richard Paul's "Ha Ha Hallowen Show" also will be featured.
A spook-free Hallowen Hike is set for Friday, Oct. 22 at Nankin Mills. Costumed characters will entertain and educate as they share nature stories with hikers.
Starting times will be 6 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 7 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. The hike will last approximately an hour and will be followed by a short live animal presentation.
Participants must pre-register before the day of the event. Cost is \$4 per person.
For more information call (734) 261-1990.

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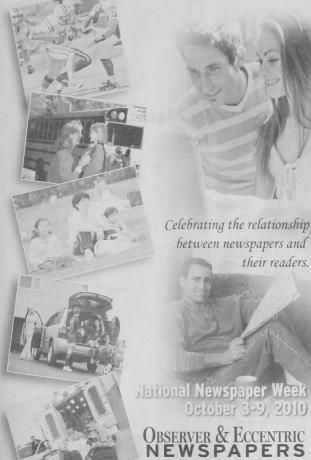
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Dinners make a Difference



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with your kids has a powerful impact on the whole

dinner with your kids has a powerful impact on the whole family.

Almost two decades of research by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University has consistently found that the more often kids eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs.

Studies show that kids who have family dinner five times a week are:

—45 percent less likely to drink and 66 percent less likely to do drugs.

— More likely to get A's and B's in school.

— More likely to think their parents are proud of them. "The power of the family dinner comes not from the food on the plate, but from who's at the table and what's happening there. The emotional and social benefits that come from family dinners are priceless," said Kathleen Ferrigno, CASA's director of marketing and head of CASA Family Day — A Day to Eat Dinner with your Children. "Having dinner as a family is one of the easiest ways to create routine opportunities for parental engagement and communication, two keys to raising drug-free children." Even with busy schedules, it's easier than you think to have a regular family meal. Here are some tips from CASA and Stouffer's:

• Plan meals together.

• Make a date — schedule it on the calendar.

• Cook together.

• Unplug during dinner and talk.

Save time making dinner with family-friendly entrées such as Stouffer's Easy Express Cheesy Carlic Lasagna. This dish of freshly made pasta layered between mozarelle cheese, seasoned beef and a rich garlic tomato sauce is ready in only 18 minutes. While it's cooking, make a Creamy Parmesan Romaine salad and a simple Fruit slad for a delicious dinner the whole family will enjoy. Remember, dinner makes a difference, so be sure to take your seat at the dinner table often. For more tips on raising drug-free kids and creative ideas for family dinners, visit these websites: www.letsfixdinner.com and www.casafamilyday.org.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

Looking for a way to engage in conversations with your kids? Use these conversation starters for a fun way to get everyone talking.

Where would you go for a dream vacation?

If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

What is one thing you could absolutely not live without?

• If you could live in any time period, which one would

**What is your favorite thing you learned today?

**What is one thing you want to accomplish in your lifetime?

**What book are you reading right now? What do you like about it?

A DINNERTIME STORY

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Let's Fix Dinner, a new book by award-winning author and illustrator Todd Parr, will make you giggle, grin and think about all the ways dinner can bring families closer together. And since regular dinners and reliable housing are two of the best ways to help families — and especially kids — succeed, 100 percent of the net proceeds from sales of Let's Fix Dinner will support Habitat for Humanity. Order your copy of this limited edition book at www.letsfixdinner.com.

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COMBINE Coffee-mate, sour cream, mayonnaise, cheese, vinegar, salt and pepper in small bowl; stir until completely blended. Add to lettuce mixture; toss gently, yet thoroughly, to coat completely. Add bread cubes; toss gently.

FRESH FRUIT SALAD

Chefs go head to 'chilihead' at annual festival in downtown Plymouth, Oct. 10

Sun and Snow...and chili?
The sports apparel store will
add cooking to its list of services for a few hours Sunday,
Oct. 10, when it sends a team
to the Great Lakes Regional
Chili Cookoff at Kellogg Park
in downtown Plymouth.
It's the 15th annual Cookoff,
but the first time that retailers and other non-restaurant
businesses will vie for victory
in the new "Battle of the of
Businesses" competition during the event.
In addition to Sun and
Snow, Plymouth Popcorn
Co., Kilwin's, and Barefoot
Productions theater company
are entered into the Battle category. n and Snow...and chili?

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"Whoever gets the most votes is the winning business. It's based on the public voting," said Annette Horn, who together with her husband, Ken, founded the nonprofit Great Lakes Chili Inc., and its annual event in Plymouth.

Barefoot Productions will serve a Cajun-inspired chili, enhanced with smoked turkey. Barefoot member Christine Steves enlisted the help of Ederique Goudia, a co-worker at Sysco Detroit, a Louisana native and "true foodie and fabulous cook."

"E's secret spices are guaranteed to warm your heart and your innards," Steves noted in an e-mail to the Observer.

"We also wanted to work in the theme of our fall show, Mindgame, which opens Friday night. So, E and I will be the asylum nurses tending the simmering pots. Our booth will be sporting an old-fashioned crank-style meat grinder. We'll leave the rest to the imagination."

A mother-daughter duo will lead the team for Sun and Snow, which has stores in Plymouth and Ann Arbor.



A contestant chops onions for his pot of chili at a previous Great Lakes Regional Chili Cookoff in downtown Plymouth.

Regional Chili Cookoff in downtown Pl
Heather O'Brien is a buyer
for the store and her mother,
Sandra Strek owns a company
that creates store windows and
other forms of visual merchandising. Sun and Snow is among
her clients.
"I do a lot of cooking. They've
had other events and I've done
hors d'oeuvres," Strek said.
Her red chili includes a few
undisclosed ingredients "you
wouldn't expect to find in
chili."
"I think it's really important
that there is a balance of ingredients. You need heat, but you
also need to balance that heat
out," she explained. On a scale
of one to five, with five being
the hottest, Strek describes her

chili as a three TOUGH COMPETITION

ous year and have decided to compete again.

"Compari's on the Park normally doesn't have chili on the menu but takes part every year," Horn said. "Sean O'Callaghan's love it. Liberty Street Brewing Company puts beer in their chili. It's whatever they want to serve."

CONSISTENT WINNER

Julie Bardelli of the Omelette & Waffle Cafe said chef Dave Pawlowski enters the same recipe every year. It's a winner with the public and a regular menu item at the restaurant.

"People really like the heat that comes with our chili. It's a good mix and has a lot of good flavors in there."

Horn said heat is important but shouldn't overshadow flavor. The same recipe made by different chefs can vary depending on the freshness of their ingredients.

"I've learned over the years that if I gave you my recipe you wouldn't be able to make it the way I do," she added. "One of the secret ingredients we laugh about it salt. Salt is either too much or not enough. It can make or break the flavor."

She and her husband initially began entering chili competitions as a team.
They compete against each other now, using chili recipes called "Fireworks Chili 2," (Ken's). The never compete in the Great Lakes Regional Cookoff, where Ken is chief judge. He cooked in the World's Championship Chili Cookoff last week in New Hampshire, after winning Michigan's state championship. Winners from regional and state events may compete in the world championship in red chili, chili verde and salsa categories.

Wine tastings

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from Vintage wine company
will have new releases from
B.R. Cohn Estate. Admission
is \$25 per person and \$20 for
Wine Club members.
Lori Tepper, a level 1 som-

melier will talk about the growing region of Washington State at a session on Oct. 21. Cost is \$25 per person and it includes a tasting and study guide.

The session on Oct. 28, featuring Steven Duffy, vineyard manager of the Langtry Estain in Northern California, is open only to Wine Club members and costs \$25.

Reservations are required

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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 at sdargay@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 children'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 Emagine Theater.

Family Day — A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children's, is a national movement launched by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia

snow you kids and anylor 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.

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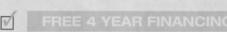
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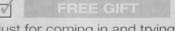


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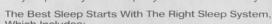




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It's buyer beware for a bank-owned home purchase

By JULE BNOWN
OBE STAFF WRITER

Buying a bank-owned home calls for consumer caution, said Patrick Bennett, director of community relations for the Better Business Bureau Serving Eastern Michigan.

"Buyers obviously should be aware of their options," said Bennett, a Livonia resident. Sometimes a sale may be a pre-foreclosure directly from the homeowner, one option Bennett cited in which a buyer has more flexibility as the home isn't yet bank-owned. Others are owned by the bank, "which may pose some different situations. They're (the bank) in control of the costs and they're less ome different situations. They're (the bank) in control of the costs and they're less likely to take care of any of the inspection pieces," Bennett said. "It is usually sold in an as-is situation."

After foreclosure, he said, a home becomes bank-owned. A homeowner may before foreclosure consider a short sale to avoid foreclosure.

"I would certainly recommend having an attorney look at their situation," he said of consumers in such circumstances.

The Southfield-based BBB recommends a title search for

consumers in such circumstances.

The Southfield-based BBB recommends a title search fo a bank-owned home. "That way you can find out if the property has a second mortgage or a lien against it," he said.

If it does have a second mortgage, the buyer may be responsible for paying that. "So that's something to be really cautious about," he said.



Even homes advertised as part of the Housing and Urban Development department of the federal government call for

caution.

"You still want to do your homework" for a HUD home, Bennett said.

"Buyers want to get what is right for them." That's true,

he said, not only of home features, but also price. Your agent should check nearby comparable homes to see if an asking price is a bargain.

The mortgage industry gets a lot of BBB inquiries. For 2009 for his Michigan territory, the BBB had 23,992 inquiries on the mortgage industry,

"any company that's considered a mortgage company.
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Of that number, 239 became complaints, so the majority were resolved. Inquiries only means a call, he said, whereas a complaint has been verified as legitimal against the business. You can check a business

with the BBB consumer number at (248) 223-9400 or online at www.bbb.org.
Noel Derr-Johnson, a Realtor with Century 21 Dynamic of Westland, noted foreclosed properties are sold as is.
"There is no disclosure," the Westland resident said. "A private inspection is well worth your money."
She said there may be multiple bidders on a foreclosed home, as many as five or six. "The banks don't always take the highest bid," Derr-Johnson said. "There's a lot of factors." Lenders look for those who are most likely to be able to repay.
Mary McGaw, mortgage loan officer for Bank of America, agrees that potential buyers can get some good deals on foreclosed homes. "Absolutely," said McGaw, a Westland resident. "It's pretuct and dried, so you can't mess around with them" on price.
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mess around with them" on price.

Derr-Johnson has found HUD homes are often a good buy, as prices make them so. There's information from the federal government available online at www.hud.gov.

A Sept. 22 online search of homes in Wayne and Oakland counties showed eight HUD homes for sale in Garden City, five in Livonia, one in Northville, one in Plymouth, nine in Redford Township, 10 in Westland, one in Farmington Hills and Hills

Don't let purchase be 'Greek to you'

Q: I enjoy going to the Greek Islands and I am wondering what it is like to purchase real estate in the more glamorous Islands?

A: I can only tell you based on my experience in Rhodes, Mikonos and Santorini that there are countless condominiums which they refer to as apartments and rental units available for sale. The prices, of course, are in Euros and in each instance the location of the residence will have a bearing on its value. In Mikonos, for example, in the main city, there are a number of new hotels and apartments apartments which can



Robert Meisner hotels and apartments which can be purchased overlooking the Bay. In Rhodes, the Island is developed over a broader area, but, again, real estate in the downtown area, particularly in and around particularly in and around the Old City is available, but expensive. In Santorini, by way of example, homes and condominiums overlooking the cliffs are in excess of a million Euros but have breathtaking views. It is important in all of these Greek Islands to appreciate the need to obtain "comparables" and hire an experienced real estate agent and lawyer, who can assist you in the process. The Internet can also be helpful in locating properties.

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Q: I am a landlord of residential property and I am wondering what my so-called statutory duty is with respect to common areas, and, particularly, in terms of ice and snow.

A: The lessor of leased residential property has a statutory duty to keep all common areas fit for the use intended by the parties to the lease; the primary purpose or intended use of the common area stairway by way of example is to provide pedestrian access at different levels of the building or structure; a recent Michigan Court of Appeals decision has held that the statutory duty does not require perfect maintenance of such a stairway and the stairway need be in an ideal condition, nor in the most accessible condition possible but it must provide reasonable access to different building levels; finally the court in that particular case mentioned that the presence of black ice on a darkly lit unsalted stairway might pose a hidden danger that the ice and its reasonable access to different levels of a building and renders the stairway unfit for the intended purpose. While each case depends on its own facts, this should give you some idea of what your potential processor is a suppression of the processor in the particular case mentioned that the presence of black ice on a darkly lit unsalted stairway might pose a hidden danger that the ice and its reasonable access to different levels of a building and renders the stairway unfit for the intended purpose. While each case depends on its own facts, this should give you some idea of what your potential processor is a supplementary of the processor is a supplementary of the

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Who was the star of the 1950s TV show Circus Boy, and what is he doing now?

-Douglas L. Lunsford, Midland, Texas

That was Micky Dolenz, starring under the name Micky Braddock as Corky, an orphan who cared for Bimbo, a baby elephant. About 10 years later, Dolenz was studying architecture when he auditioned for *The Monkees* TV series



and became a pop idol as the band's singing drummer. In August, Dolenz released King for a Day, a 15-track tribute to singer-songwriter Carole King, with a portion of the proceeds going to the Gulf Relief Foundation. "I'm blessed to have a performing career because of the success of all the Monkees songs," says Dolenz, 65, who tours as a solo act. "There are a lot of people out there who still like to hear them sung by the original artist."

Sultry-voiced Lizabeth Scott, often typecast as a gangster's moll in the film noirs of the 1940s, was quite good in those well-made, low-budget, black-and-white films. What became of her?

-Ariel Morales, El Cajon, Calif.

Scott, 88, a native of Scranton, Pa., made only 20 movies, but when she was bad, she was very, very good—making her one of Hollywood's juiciest femme fatales. Among her best-known movies are The Strange Love of Martha Ivers, I Walk Alone, Dead Reckoning, Too Late for Tears, Pitfall, Dark City and Loving You, opposite Elvis Presley in 1957. Her last movie was Pulp in 1977. Scott has lived a very private life since retirement, although she makes an occasional film-festival







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Farm Artist

Phillip Glashoff forges love of art with rural living

By j. poet . PHOTOS BY CHAD SURMICK

AMID A SHOWER of sparks inside his farm-inspired art studio in Suisun, Calif. (pop. 26,118), sculptor Phillip Glashoff, 60, wields a hand-held blow torch to weld two ball-bearing eyes onto a foot-long iron fish fashioned from a motorcycle's

Flecks of molten iron fly through the air inside his barnlike studio while, outside, cattle graze near an orchard of orange and walnut trees.

"I grew up farming," Glashoff says of his 20-acre homestead in northern California. "When I get burned out, the land draws me back and keeps me grounded."

Raised on a 300-acre farm owned by four generations of his family, Glashoff began using rusty metal from old tractors and other outdated equipment on the property to create his art during the 1980s. "My father never threv anything away," recalls Glashoff,

who eventually ran out of materials and began hauling in discarded metal with his pickup truck.

"Junkyard owners love me. I buy things nobody wants he adds, scanning a jumble of broken bicycles, assorted car parts and empty fire extinguishers in his workshop.

Glasshoff's studio is surrounded by green, rolling hills where his parents, Martin and Elsada Glashoff, raised apricots, pears, peaches and corn, and sold homemade pies and cakes at a roadside stand. When they died in 2000, his younger brother, Larry, took over operation of the farm to grow berries and prunes. Phillip retained for himself enough land to cultivate art and tend to a small herd of Scottish Highlander cows and a Great Dane, Gustaw, Some of his



metal works—fashioned into giant guitars pink panthers and cartoonish trombone players—dot the land.

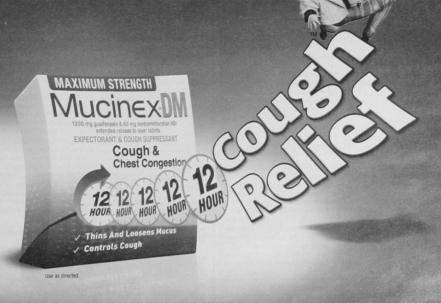
Glashoff considers himself more artist than farmer, even though he "had zero knowledge of art growing up," he recalls. "I studied agriculture (at California State Polytechnic University) and learned welding making frames for Rose Bowl floats."

After graduating in 1974 with a degree in fruit science, Glashoff returned to the farm and began to develop his artistic style.

His father was not supportive, however, and Glashoff left to work at the Nut Tree, a well-known fruir stand, restaurant and event center along Interstate 80 in nearby Vacaville (pop. 88,625). "I managed their farms and ranchland. They grew apples, peaches and prunes and had an art gallery," he recalls.

During pumpkin-growing season, Glashoff invited customers to create scarecrows for the business' pumpkin patch, inspiring the Nut Tree's annual scarecrow contest. "By 1989, we had 250,000 people coming to see the scarecrows each Halloween," says

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When he sets to work, Glashoff never plans what the finished sculpture will look like. "I favor spontaneous design," he says with a smile. "I look at the shape of the metal and let it inspire me. After of the human race. That's an

Glashoff's depictions of humans and humor into the world," he says.

The result is striking, according stop people in their tracks," says Hale, 69. "Maybe it's the shock of seeing familiar objects like kitchen utensils and bicycle seats in a

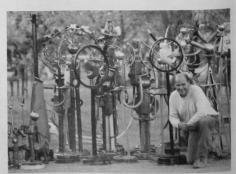


Glashoff often depicts animals and humans with a whimsical touch.

Glashoff shows his work in galleries in California and Hawaii, but prefers selling directly at summer art festivals in California. Colorado and Washington. He also hosts open houses that draw several thousand people to his farm twice a year. Guests donate old pieces of metal for admittance. where they walk the land and view his displays, hear live rock 'n' grilled by Glashoff himself.

Beverly Canova, 68, of Vacaville, is a regular at the events. "I love his pieces," says Canova, who also knew Glashoff's parents. "What Picasso did to canvas, Phillip does to junk metal." *

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Charitable Chefs

Serving up soup and games for worthy causes

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CHEF MAGGIE ZACCARA stirs a 2-gallon pot of Asian-spiced pork and vegetable soup that shares the stove with another pot of bacon and corn chowder in the kitchen of her Hope & Olive restaurant in Greenfield, Mass. (pon. 18.168).

"Tve always loved making soups, it's one of my favorite things," says Zaccara, 42, watching over the steaming pots in her farm-to-table eatery, "I like making something really special out of, really, nothing."

When she's not preparing roasted root vegetable sandwiches or summer heirloom tomato plates for regular customers, Zaccara is serving up an array of satisfying soups for Free Soup & Game Night at her restaurant on the first Monday of every month to raise money for local charities. Since her business opened in 2007, the event has provided more than \$50,000 for causes ranging from the summer reading program at the Greenfield Public Library to fighting hunger through the Franklin County Community Meals Program.

Community support

Zaccara and her co-owners, brother Jim Zaccara, 40, and Evelyn Wulfkuhle, 38, understand what it's like to receive community support. In December 2005, a fire destroyed Maggie's previous restaurant, A Bottle of Bread, in nearby Shelburne Falls (pop. 1,951), where her brother worked as a server and Wulfkuhle was a cook.

"It was really, definitely, the hardest time in my life," Maggie says about the fire that left her and her 13 employees out of work just before Christmas.

Within a week, however, the owners of a neighboring cafe organized a dinner benefit that raised \$10,000 to help Bottle of Bread employees pay living expenses during the holidays. Other fundraisers followed—a concert featuring local folk musicians, an art auction, and another dinner at a restaurant in nearby Deerfield (pop. 4,750)—all organized by friends and fans of A Bottle of Bread to help Maggie get back on her feet.

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// Maggie Zaccara (top center) and partners Jim Zaccara and Evelyn Wulfkuhle dish up Free Soup & Game Night each month at Hope & Olive restaurant in Greenfield, Mass., inviting patrons (below) to give money to local charities.



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"It was really completely heartwarming and overwhelming," she says. "I was trying to wrap my head around why people were being so generous."

Her co-owners at Hope & Olive say the community response may have had something to do with a free monthly soup night that Maggie established years earlier at A Bottle of Bread. At first, the event wasn't about raising money for charity; Maggie just liked to give away good food. But when floods washed out the bridge of a nearby farm that supplied her cooks with fresh vegetables, a free soup night raised more than \$1,300 to help shall do be bridge.

After fire destroyed her own business, Maggie's entrepreneurial and charitable spirit only grew. She and her two new partners bought a corner building in an industrial neighborhood targeted for revitalization in Greenfield. Its location, at the intersection of Hope and Olive streets, gave the eatery its name and, upon opening, Free Soup & Game Night was part of the owners' business plan.

"It's one way that I feel we can offer our thanks to the community,"
Maggie explains.

Food and games

The event features a buffet lined with soups from Hope & Olive, as well as soups and dishes provided or solicited by the designated charity. Board games such as Operation, Apples to Apples, and Trivial Pursuit are provided by the restaurant, and patrons bring their own cribbage boards, dominoes or playing cards to enjoy with their soup and conversation.

About a dozen large glass jars are scattered throughout the dining area for guests to drop in bills, change or checks for the charity du jour Patrons include families, young professionals, farmers, artists and small business owners.

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For charities that want to participate, staying on a yearlong waiting list is worth it, say leaders of the Traprock Center for Peace and Justice, which raised \$1,800 in March to support its advocacy programs for nonviolence.

"Hope & Olive is saying, 'Come, we want to feed you so that you can help to feed the community," says Liz Kelner, 69, the center's director. "What could be better?"

Maggie agrees. Her reward is seeing people sitting around tables eating good food and making good memories for a good cause.

"It encapsulates all the things that I like about community," Maggie says, "and a big part of that is food 'cause that's my thing."

Recipes courtesy of Hope & Olive Restaurant, Greenfield, Mass.

Hot and Sour Pork and Pumpkin Soup

Maggie Zaccara includes lemongrass and Kaffir lime leaves in this soup, but you can leave them out if they're not available. If you prefer, you can omit the wine and increase the amount of chicken broth to 9 cups. If fresh pumpkin is not available, use 3 cups of butternut squash cubes.

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 cup coarsely chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon chopped garlic1 tablespoon peeled and
- tablespoon peeled and chopped fresh ginger
- fresh Thai chiles, seeded and chopped
 stalks lemongrass, ends
- trimmed and tough outer leaves discarded (optional) 1 (2 1/2-pound) fresh pie
- pumpkin, peeled, seeded and cut into 1-inch cubes (about 3 cups)
- cups shredded roasted pork
- cup dry white wine
 quarts low-sodium chicken
 - broth
- Kaffir lime leaves (optional)
- 4 cup fresh lime juice
- 2 tablespoons bottled fish sauce (optional)

Freshly ground black pepper

Chopped green onion and cilantro for garnish

1. Heat oil in a S-quart saucepan or Durch oven over medium heat. Add onion, garlic and ginger, chiles and lemongrass (if using); cook until onion is tender, about 4 minutes. Add pumpkin, pork, wine and broth. Bring to a boil, reduce to a simmer and cook, covered, until pumpkin is tender, about 20 minutes. Add lime leaves (if using), lime juice, fish sauce (if using), lime and pepper. Garnish with choped green onion and cliantro.

Makes 12 cups. Serves 10.

Nutritional facts per serving: 250 calories, 16g fat, 15g protein, 6g carbohydrates, 1g fiber, 430mg sodium.

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Fresh Corn, Bacon and Potato Chowder

Serve this rich and creamy soup in small bowls.

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8 cups water

1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter 1 1/2 cups diced red onion (about 2 medium)

3 cups diced celery (about 6 ribs)

2 1/2 cups chopped red bell pepper (about 3 large)

6 cups diced red potatoes (about 10 medium) tablespoon fennel seed

1 tablespoon celery seed

1/2 tablespoon red pepper flakes

3 cups heavy cream

1/4 cup chopped fresh dill

6 slices applewood-smoked bacon, cooked until crispy, drained and crumbled

Celery Root Bisque

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1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter

cups coarsely chopped, peeled celery root (about 1 1/2 pounds)

cup thinly sliced shallots (about 8 ounces)

2 cups chopped celery (about 4 ribs)

1 teaspoon salt

Freshly ground black pepper 8 cups water

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

1/4 cup heavy cream (optional)

1/4 cup thinly sliced green onion

1. Melt butter in a large Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add celery root, shallots, celery, salt and pepper; cook until celery root is slightly

browned. Add water and bring to a boil Cook, uncovered until celery root is very tender.

2. Working in batches. transfer the soup to a blender and purée Return to pan and stir in lemon juice and cream, if using Garnish each serving with green onions

Makes 9 cups. Serves 8.

Nutritional facts per serving: 130 calories. 9g fat, 2g protein, 12g carbohydrates, 2g fiber, 400mg sodium.



1. Cut corn kernels off cobs. Place cobs in a large Dutch oven and cover with 8 cups water. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, and simmer, covered. 20 minutes. Remove cobs and discard. Set cooking liquid aside.

2. Melt butter in Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add onion, celery, bell peoper, potatoes, fennel seed, celery seed. red pepper flakes and corn kernels. Cook until onions are tender and vegetables are fragrant. Add liquid from cooking corn cobs and heavy cream. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, and simmer until potatoes are tender. Just before serving, stir in dill. Garnish with crumbled bacon

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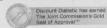
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KANSAS-Humboldt (pop. 1.999) natives Walter Johnson and George Sweatt played on baseball teams that won the World Series and Negro Leagues World Series in 1924. Johnson played for the Washington Senators and Sweatt for the Kansas City Monarchs.

MICHIGAN-Megan Goethals, of Rochester High School in Rochester Hills (pop. 68,825), was named the 2009-2010 Gatorade National Girls Cross Country Runner of the Year, which ner. She completed an unbeaten season by winning the national

MINNESOTA-The world's second largest gourmet coffeehouse operator, after Starbucks, is Caribou Coffee, headquartered in Minneapolis. Founders John and Kim Puckett were inspired to start the company during an Alaskan trip, thus the name Caribou. Founded in 1992, the company today has almost 500 locations.

MISSOURI-Sixty years after she was denied admission to Southwest Missouri State College in Springfield because she is black, Mary Jean Price Walls received an honorary bachelor's degree in July from the college, which now is Missouri State University, Her son, Terry Walls, was instrumental in the

NEBRASKA-The world's largest indoor swamp-covering one-quarter acre and containing 160,000 gallons of water-is at the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha. Visitors can see the swamp

NORTH DAKOTA-Riverdale (pop. 273) High School closed in 1992, but the halls are lively again. Lee and Jane Bertsch bought the school in 2008 and transformed it into Riverdale High Lodge,

OHIO-Cleveland native Don King's career as a boxing promoter spans more than three decades and 500 world-championship fights. In 1974, he promoted the "rumble in the jungle" in Zaire between Muhammad Ali and George Foreman, which

south DAKOTA-Created in 1909. Mellette County (pop. 2,083) is

WISCONSIN-Legible handwriting is important to Luke Mundt, a fourth-grader from Calvary Baptist Christian School in Watertown (pop. 21,598), and to Alexandria Kathryn Skaw. an eighth-grader from St. Paul's Catholic School of Bloomer (pop. 3,347). The two took top honors in the nation for their grade levels in the 2010 Zaner-Bloser National Handwriting Contest. They won trophies and \$1,000 for their schools.

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HOME

Decorating Kids' Bedrooms

y Mari S Gold

VITH PAINT and a few home ecorating materials and accessories, lder kids can unleash their creativity and put a personal stamp on their living pace. Here are some tips from designer ienevieve Gorder, host of HGTV's Dear ienevieve, on how to add style to the edrooms of preteens and teenagers.

Color. "Let your child decide what olor her room should be," Gorder says. Paint is a very forgiving medium, has huge impact and allows you to change olor later on. If your tween or teen pris for black, hot pink or neon green, uggest balancing the intensity of these olors with lighter tones on moldings, asseboards or bed coverings."

Display space. Create a wall-size ulletin board by covering one wall with rexpensive Homasore, a lightweight, iber-based wallboard, and painting it to natch the other walls. The wallboard will rotect the wall underneath, Gorder says, so photos, posters and other mementos an be displayed and rotated easily."

Furniture. "Be sure your child has lenty of study space," Gorder says. Tweens and teens need adult-size urniture so they can spread out. Oven a small dining table will work."

Wall art. Painting a mural is a fun vaya for kids to transform a room.

*atalie Miggins, 10, of Chatham, N.J.
pop. 8,460), is painting a beach mural in
ier walk-in closet. "During the winter,
can go into my closet and remember
he summer," Natalie says. "A closet is
brilliant place to practice boldness,"
Sorder adds, "and a mural is a great
lace to start and restart."

Lighting. "Vary the lighting ntensity with an inexpensive dimmer or overhead lights, a lamp with bright ight for the desk, and a floor lamp," lorder suggests. An adult may need to blan bedroom lighting, but kids can help elect the fixtures.

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HEALTH

Driving Toward a Cure

Inspired by her grandmother's struggle with COPD, Danica Patrick raises awareness about its early symptoms

By Dorothy Foltz Gray

RACING STAR DANICA PATRICK was 10 years old when she started racing go-carts in her hometown of Roscoe, Ill., where she and her sister also stayed busy picking weeds for their grandmother. "She would pay us a dollar for every 5-gallon drum full," Patrick recalls.

Childhood moments were not as carefree, however, when Patrick's grandmom, who was a heavy smoker, began depending on an oxygen tank to breathe. Her doctors had diagnosed her with emphysema, a form of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, or

COPD. "It was really sad to see her not being able to breathe anymore and having oxygen tanks everywhere she went," Patrick says.

Patrick's grandmother died in her mid-60s, when Patrick was racing cars in England and about to turn pro. Now 28 and a seasoned pro, Patrick didn't hesitate when Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals asked her to join the fight against COPD through DRIVE4COPD, a national campaign launched last February and sponsored with NASCAR, the American Lung Association and the

COPD Foundation.

"COPD is the fourth leading cause of death in the country," Patrick explains, "Twenty-four million people are affected, and half don't even know it. Obviously someone needs to start talking about the disease and raise awareness."

COPD is an umbrella for two progressive diseases—emphysema and chronic bronchitis—both primarily caused by smoking.

"In chronic bronchitis, the breathing tubes of the lungs become inflamed so that it's difficult to get air out of the lungs," says

Dr. Brian Carlin, a spokesman for DRIVE4COPD and a senior staff physician in the Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Division at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh. "(The tubes) are like a hose that gets compressed in the middle."

Emphysema occurs when the damaged lungs' air sacs, normally like buoyant balloons, no longer can fill easily with and release air, Carlin says.

A person's lungs can lose 50 percent of their capacity before symptoms of COPD—coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath—even appear, "Catching COPD early is where we need to focus," Carlin says. "You can slow progression. The key is to stop smoking."

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Exercise—30 minutes of brisk activity, such as walking five times a week—will help keep the muscles of the chest wall healthy so that the lungs can fill and empty more easily. And physicians can prescribe medications such as bronchodilators that relax bronchial airways or inhaled steroids that reduce inflammation so that breathing becomes more comfortable.

"COPD is very treatable," says Carlin, noting that preventive measures such as flu shots can help keep damaged lungs healthier. "People who have COPD are more prone to influenza, pneumonia and H1NL So



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they need to stay away from people with colds and coughs."

The DRIVE4COPD campaign is promoted at NASCAR races, other sporting events and country music concerts, and aims to screen 1 million people for the lung disease through a simple five-question test that people can take at an event or on the campaign's website. www.DRIVE4COPD.com. One question asks if you've smoked 100 cigarettes in your lifetime, enough to put you at risk. Another asks your age, and the other three check for symptoms, including shortness of breath.

"There's lots of smoking at these kinds of outdoor events," Patrick says. "So, they are good places to raise awareness of COPD."

The screening score indicates only that you might be at risk for the condition and should see a doctor. Since February, the campaign has screened 145,500 people and, of those, 17 percent were at risk for COPD.

"We did an event in Boston, and there was a woman who quit smoking many years ago, but she was feeling short of breath climbing stairs," says Emily Baier, a spokeswoman for Boehringer Ingelheim. "She didn't think she was at risk for COPD because she had quit smoking many years ago. But she took the screening and realized that she needed to see her doctor."

Patrick is certain that her grandmother would be proud of her drive for a cure. "She would say that she wishes she had known more about COPD when she was younger. We all like to brush off symptoms as if they're just a matter of getting old or not being physically fit. But (treating the disease) can extend your life and make it more livable. You want to check into it." *



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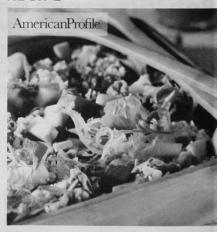


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medium beets, scrubbed and trimmed

Vinaigrette:

1/4 cup dark raisins

- cup cider vinegar, boiling tablespoon honey
- tablespoons diced roasted
- teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
 - cup toasted walnut or vegetable oil

Salad

- pound spring mix
- head romaine, separated into leaves and sliced into 11/2 inch
- wide strips
- 3 green onions, chopped
- cup walnut pieces, toasted
- ounces blue cheese, crumbled
 - crisp tart apple, unpeeled diced
- 1. Preheat oven to 400F. Wrap beets in foil, place on a baking sheet and bake 30 to 45 minutes or until crisp-tender. Cool, slip off skins and dice.
- 2. To prepare vinaigrette, place raisins in a heatproof bowl; pour boiling vinegar over raisins. Let stand 30 minutes or until raisins are plump and liquid is cool. Transfer to food processor.
- 3. Process until raisins form a dark paste. Add honey, 2 tablespoons diced beets, mustard and salt; continue processing. Gradually add oil. Transfer to a bottle or bowl. Refrigerate. Return to room temperature and shake or stir well before using
- 4. To prepare salad, combine greens, romaine and green onions in a large salad bowl. Toss well. Add walnuts, remaining beets, blue cheese and apple to salad: drizzle one-third of the vinaigrette over salad and toss well. (Store remaining dressing in refrigerator for up to a month). Serves 8.

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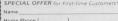
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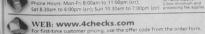


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■ HANDOUT BEGINS: The free money giveaway begins for state res dents precisely at 8:00 am today. The World Reserve is giving residents the entire first year of the new U.S. Gov't issued coins free. But residents nee to be absolutely sure to call the Toll Free Hotline at 1-866-729-5804 before the 48-hour order deadline ends to get the coins free.

get the entire first year of nevercirculated coins for free," he said.

"These new State Quarters will be highly sought after and are extremely popular to hand out as gifts for friends and family. They are the perfect gift for any occasion," he said.

To make sure readers don't get left out of this free giveaway they need to call the Toll Free Hotlin number before the 48-hour dead

"At the rate we anticipate givin these coins away we may be forceto give away more than \$1 millio dollars of these valuable new coin to the general public. So, if lines ar busy keep trying, all calls will b answered." Shisler said.

How to get your Free Coins

Find your state below and be among the first to call the number before the 48-hour deadline ends. State residents who do are getting the entire first year of the new Gov't issued U.S. coins free just by covering shipping and only 59 for the new Collectors Coin Chest. All of your free coins will be delivered in accordance with the U.S. Mint's' release schedule. However, if you miss the deadline you will be turned away from this free offer and forced to wait for future announcements in this or other U.S. publications, if any.

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